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NO "MONEY TRUST" SAYS J. P. MORGAN

Great Financier Declares Money Monopoly Is an Impossibility

ON THE STAND FIVE HOURS

Disclaims Any Knowledge That He Wields Vast Power and Tells Investigating Committee He Favors Combination

Washington, December 19.—J. Pierpont Morgan today told the Money Trust Investigating Committee of the House that all the money in Christendom and all the banks in Christendom, could not form a monopoly that would control money. Mr. Morgan disclaimed any knowledge that he wielded a vast power in modern financial circles and declared emphatically that he sought no such power. For nearly five hours, the chief witness called by the committee in its probe of the intricacies of modern finance, withstood a fire of questions that covered many phases of financial operation. In some respects it was one of the most remarkable hearings about the halls of Congress in recent years, with Mr. Morgan as the type and embodiment of financial operations on a colloseal scale and the committee's counsel, Samuel Untermyer, the representative of the element which seeks to probe to the innermost recesses the conditions under which vast financial operations are conducted. Mr. Morgan gave at length his views on competition, combination, co-operation and control in industry and finance, particularly the latter. He declared he "did not mind" competition, but that he "preferred combination," in his operations. He was emphatic in his declaration that "there is no way one man can get a monopoly of money."

Throughout the long examination to which Mr. Morgan submitted with an evident willingness to answer, there was not a moment when interest lagged.

Mr. Morgan gave a ready response to questions, although there was often a battle of wits as to the meaning and effect of various financial conditions and operations.

The question of competition and combination brought about a lively interchange between the noted financier and Mr. Untermyer, the latter opening the tilt with the suggestion that Mr. Morgan was opposed to competition. The witness denied this, but said he favored "co-operation", adding that he was in no way opposed to competition and in fact "liked a little competition." He disagreed with the views of Mr. Untermyer on the question of interlocking directorates, which forms the basis for a large part of the statistical evidence that makes up the record of the money trust investigation up to date. Without actual control, Mr. Morgan claimed, there is no control, although some directors may be common to several corporations.

"You and Mr. Baker (George F. Baker) dominate the anthracite coal road situation, do you not?" asked Mr. Untermyer at one point in the examination.

"I do not think we do," said Mr. Morgan. "At least if we do I don't know it."

"Your power in any direction is entirely unconscious to you, is it not?"

"It is, sir, if that is the case," said Mr. Morgan.

"You do not think you have any power in any department of industry in this country, do you?"

"Not the slightest."

"And you are not looking for any?"

"I am not seeking it, either."

"This consolidation and amalgamation of systems, and authorities and banks does not look to any concentration, does it?" asked Mr. Untermyer, with a smile.

"No, sir," answered the witness.

"It is for the purpose of concentrating the interests that you do amalgamate, is it not?"

"If it is good business for the interests of the country to do it, I do."

"But, Mr. Morgan, is not a man likely," asked the lawyer, "quite subconsciously, to imagine that things are for the interests of the country when they are good business?"

"No, sir."

"You think that you are able to justly and impartially differentiate, where your own interests are concerned, just as clearly as though you had no interest at stake, do you?" continued Mr. Untermyer.

"Exactly, sir," replied the witness.

"And you are acting on that assumption all the time, are you not?"

"I always do, sir."

Later Mr. Untermyer touched upon the basis of money control.

"The control of credit involves the control of money, does it not?" he asked.

"No," said Mr. Morgan. "What I call money is the basis of banking."

"But the basis of banking is considerable, is it not?"

"Not always," said the witness. "That is an evidence of banking, but it is not the money itself. Money is gold—and nothing else."

Out of the discussion that followed between the lawyer and the banker,

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TAFT LEAVES ON CANAL TRIP

Library of Congress

Departs for Key West and Will Leave Saturday for Panama to Make Inspection of [illegible]

Washington, December 19.—President Taft left at 10:30 o'clock tonight over the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad for Key West, Fla., to sail Saturday on the dreadnaught Arkansas for Colon. After a three days' inspection of the Panama canal, the President will return to Key West. He is due in Washington again December 31st.

The President left suffering from a slight, but persistent cold. The trip South, it was believed, would cure it, although it already has shown signs of yielding to treatment. Before going aboard his private car, the President attended the cabinet dinner given by Secretary of State Knox.

Mrs. Taft, Charles Taft, their young son; the secretary to the President, and Mrs. Hilles, the assistant secretary of the navy, and Mrs. Beekman Winthrop; Major Thomas L. Rhoades, U. S. A., and Lieutenant Commander John N. Timmons, U. S. N., aides to the President; three secret service men, and a White House stenographer comprised the official party which will board the Arkansas. Two railroad officials and a half dozen men who accompanied the President will be quartered in the battleship Delaware, designated to act as convoy on the voyage to and from the isthmus.

En route to Key West the President's train will stop at Jacksonville and Miami, Fla. In Jacksonville the President will attend a reception and make a speech and at Miami he will talk to citizens from the rear platform of his car. He will deliver another address in Key West before he boards the Arkansas.

Discusses Mexican Conditions.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Unsatisfactory conditions existing in Mexico as a result of the continuance of the rebellion absorbed much of the time of the President today, notwithstanding he was making every effort to close up many matters of importance before his departure for Panama. He had interviews today with Secretary Knox and Henry Lane Wilson, American ambassador to Mexico, who is in Washington on leave of absence and tonight the subject was further discussed at a dinner which was given in the President's honor at Secretary Knox's home.

While no statement regarding the conference was given out there is reason to believe that when the ambassador returns to Mexico he will bear with him instructions from the President and Secretary of State, calculated to induce the Mexican government to renew its efforts to terminate the rebellion or at least to greatly enlarge the military forces which are supposed to be protecting the property of foreigners.

WIFE MUST PAY COURT COSTS

Justice Barnard Establishes Precedent In Divorce Litigation

Washington, December 19.—Dismissing the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Julia Miller Rauscher against her husband, Rene C. Rauscher, because of the wife's failure to establish her case, Justice Barnard, of the District Supreme Court, yesterday established a precedent for the local jurisdiction by assessing the entire costs of the case, which will probably approximate $500, against the wife.

On several occasions the members of the District Court have assessed the costs against correspondents, but this is said to be the first case in which a wife was called upon to pay the costs of litigation against her husband.

The Rauschers were married in this city on June 14th, 1909. Six months later Mrs. Rauscher left her husband and has since lived apart from him. In June, 1911, she filed suit for a divorce on statutory grounds, and the testimony was heard before an examiner. Mrs. Rauscher filed her testimony last Summer, and in September Attorney James S. Easby-Smith, representing the husband, completed the filing of the defendant's testimony.

TAFT READY TO MAKE SALE

Will Let Phillies Go If Anybody Offers Him $425,000 for Club

Philadelphia, December 19.—Charles P. Taft, real owner of the Philadelphia ball club, arrived here tonight for a conference with Horace Fogel. The latter had an option on the club, which expired on Saturday, and still has some claims that must be settled. Mr. Taft is anxious to dispose of the property, and probably will do so before leaving here.

Cohan & Harris have offered $300,000, and a local syndicate is willing to give $350,000. Mr. Taft says he will not take less than $425,000. He expects New York people to make a bid of the latter size, if Philadelphians fail to do so.

NOTED BONIFACE A SUICIDE.

Jean Wetzel, Manager of Four Paris Hotels, Lost Fortune.

Paris, Dec. 18.—The body of Jean Wetzel, a Parisian hotel manager known to travelers from all over the world, was found in the River Seine today. He disappeared November 9th. It is assumed that he committed suicide.

His accounts were found in perfect condition, but it is understood that he had been speculating and had lost his entire private fortune. He was administrator of four of the largest hotels in Paris.

SENATOR OVERMAN CALLS ON WILSON

Pleads for Josephus Daniels' Appointment as Postmaster General

STUDYING TRUST QUESTION

President-elect Will Recommend Radical Changes In Corporation Laws of His State—Will Meet Bryan Tomorrow

Trenton, N. J., December 19.—President-elect Wilson perused studiously for several hours here today the corporation laws of New Jersey, with a view of recommending radical changes in them to the Legislature. After he worked most of the day in his capacity as Governor, he listened to a formal appeal by United States Senator Overman, of North Carolina, that Josephus Daniels, National committeeman from that State for nearly 20 years, be appointed Postmaster General in the Wilson cabinet. The President-elect made no comment. He added also that he would meet W. J. Bryan for the first time since the election on Saturday or Sunday either at Trenton or Princeton.

The Governor's day was concentrated for the most part on the trust question. Repeated charges were made during the National campaign by both Colonel Roosevelt and Governor Hiram Johnson that Mr. Wilson had failed to put into effect any legislation curbing trusts that were chartered as New Jersey corporations. Though his opponents devoted many speeches to this argument, Mr. Wilson never made a speech of reply. Once he telegraphed briefly to Senator O'Gorman, of New York, however, an answer that was made public, in which he declared that as the State Legislature always had been Republican in one or both branches he had been unable to put through his promised programme of reform.

He added also that evils complained of in connection with the trusts mostly concerned Federal jurisdiction.

The Governor took no further cognizance of the question during the campaign, telling his friends, however, that he always had intended reform and would begin it if he could get a Legislature that was Democratic in both branches. His wish being fulfilled, the Governor started to work in earnest today, calling to his aid Edwin Walker, chancellor of the State, and Judge Bennett Van Syckle, formerly of the State Supreme Court. These men, with Governor Wilson, will draft the new legislation.

"We went over an infinite lot of detail," said the Governor, after he had spent nearly two hours with them. "As in all other cases the corporation statutes have been amended and added to until they have become badly complicated. We hope to disentangle this mass. Both Judge Van Syckle and Chancellor Walker are experienced and have had lots to do with decisions relating to the corporation laws, so they are valuable guides to me."

On National politics the President-elect was most reticent. He had nothing to say about his approaching meeting with Mr. Bryan and in re-counting the events of the day passed quickly over the mention of cabinet appointments.

"Senator Overman came with a generous list of representations in support of Mr. Daniels for the postmaster generalship," said the Governor, and added abruptly, "Then Sam Gordon cut my hair."

Gordon is the Governor's messenger at the State House who has acted as barber to New Jersey Governors for a score of years.

The name of Mr. Daniels urged for the postmaster generalship is the first that is definitely known as having been considered by Mr. Wilson for any cabinet office.

Though Mr. Daniels was close to the Governor throughout the campaign, having been chairman of the campaign committee on publicity, he has not seen the Governor since.

The Governor at dusk motored back to his home in Princeton, saying he expected to spend the evening with his family.

NATAL WILL SAIL SATURDAY.

Warship is Being Prepared to Bring Reid's Body to America.

Portsmouth, England, Dec. 19.—The British armored cruiser Natal was moored this morning alongside the jetty in the dock yard in readiness to convey the body of the late Ambassador Whitelaw Reid from England to America after the great memorial service has been held at Westminster Abbey on Friday.

A host of carpenters and decorators immediately upon the vessel's arrival started upon the construction of a mortuary chapel on the quarterdeck, in which the coffin will rest during the voyage.

The warship will sail early Saturday and naval honors will be paid to the dead ambassador as the cruiser puts to sea. She will fly her colors at half mast throughout the voyage.

Christmas Slippers

at Peterson & Rulfs. Open until 10 P. M. 3t. (Advertisement.)

SUFFRAGETTE ARMY FOOTSORE

Two Hours After Dark and Snowing When March to Fishkill, N. Y., is Completed—Four Out of 34 Holding Out.

Fishkill, N. Y., Dec. 19.—It was two hours after dark and snowing when the "suffragette army", that is on its way to Albany to deliver a message to Governor Sulzer, marched into this city tonight. Winding roads stretched 16 reputed miles into 22 and the four survivors of the band of 34 women which started from New York on Monday limped in here at 7 o'clock tonight, scarcely able to drag their feet another step.

It was the first day of actual hardship which the marchers have experienced, and up and down hill journey over muddy roads in rain and snow. The last six miles were made in pitch darkness, ankle deep in mud and in the face of a bitter northeaster. The foot-sore women refused offers of a lift from two passing automobiles, for they have vowed to travel the entire distance to Albany afoot.

Miss Rosalie L. Jones, the leader of the expedition, who, for two days has walked with painfully blistered feet, almost collapsed when she led her followers into the hotel where they stopped for the night.

"Will you go on tomorrow," she was asked.

"We will march until we drop," stoutly replied the suffragette leader.

Miss Jones went immediately to bed.

The day's start was made at Peekskill in a downpour of rain, which was soon succeeded by flurries of snow. The women reached Garrison, across the Hudson river from West Point at 1 o'clock, having walked 10 miles in three hours. The remaining 12 miles, through hilly country, took five hours of muddy plodding. The women as they marched kept up their spirits with songs, gave their suffrage yell and distributed suffragette literature.

Tonight Mrs. Jessie Hary Stubbs addressed a meeting of veteran firemen, while Miss Lavinia Docks talked at a gathering of local suffragettes.

NO VERDICT IN BLAIR CASE

Case Went to Jury at 9 O'clock—Locked Up at Eleven

Greensboro, N. C., December 19.—The case of the State against William F. Blair for the murder of former Southern Railway division freight agent, George G. Thompson, was given to the jury at 9 o'clock tonight. At 11 o'clock no verdict had been reached and Judge Whedbee ordered the jurors locked up for the night. Throughout the day counsel for the State and the defense plead eloquently and earnestly for and against the life of the prisoner, Solicitor Gattis making a passionate appeal for justice. He told the jurors to take this occasion to wipe out the impression in many minds that in North Carolina a rich man of good family could not be sent to the electric chair.

BARON DEAD IN AUTO SMASH

Secretary of Late King Leopold and Princess' Lady In Waiting Hurt

Antwerp, December 19.—Baron Heiln van Suylen van Nyevelt, son of the president of the French Automobile Club, was killed today by the overturning of his automobile at Waterloo near here.

Serious injuries were sustained by the two other occupants of the motor car, Mlle. de Bassompiere, lady in waiting on Princess Clementine, and Baron Goffinet, who was private secretary to the late King Leopold and is now attached to the household of the King of the Belgians.

OUTLINES

Mexican conditions absorbed much of President Taft's time yesterday.

The suffragette army marching to Albany, N. Y., reached Fishkill two hours after dark last night.

President Taft left last night for Key West, Fla., to sail tomorrow on the dreadnought Arkansas for Colon.

A plot to dynamite the Denver mint, where approximately $500,000,000 is stored, was frustrated by the discovery of the plans two weeks ago, it was learned yesterday.

J. P. Morgan, star witness yesterday at the Money Trust investigation, told the committee there could be no such thing as a money trust and declared such a monopoly was an impossibility.

Both Houses of Congress yesterday adjourned for the holidays, the House remaining in session only 17 minutes for lack of a quorum. The Senate held a lively executive session at which confirmation of Taft's appointments was taken up.

The peace conference was in session only a short time yesterday, the Turkish delegates announcing that fresh instructions had been dispatched from Constantinople. That the delegates will be empowered to proceed with the negotiations is the news that comes from the capital.

Senator Overman of North Carolina called on Governor Wilson yesterday and asked the President-elect to appoint Josephus Daniels Postmaster General. The Governor spent most of the day studying the trust question and will recommend sweeping changes in the corporation laws of his State.

New York mrakets: Money on call easier, 4 to 4 1-2 per cent; ruling rate 4 1-2; closing bid 4; offered at 4 1-2. Spot cotton closed steady. Flour quiet. Wheat irregular: No. 2 red 1.07 1-2 and 1.08 1-2. Corn steady, 56 3-4. Turpentine easy. Rosin firm.

BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS RECESS

Lively Session Precedes Adjournment of Senate for the Holidays

HOUSE COULDN'T GET QUORUM

President's Message Could Not be Received—Senate Goes Into Executive Session Over Appointments.

YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Went into executive session to consider confirmation of Presidential nominations.

Court of impeachment resumed trial of Judge Archbold at 1:30 P. M., and adjourned at 3:46 P. M., until January third.

Message from President Taft pertaining to postoffice, interior, agriculture and commerce and labor was read.

Adjourned at 4:45 P. M., until noon January 2nd.

House

Convened at noon and adjourned at 12:17 P. M., owing to lack of quorum, until noon, January 2nd.

J. P. Morgan continued his testimony before Money Trust Investigating Committee, which adjourned to January 6th.

Interior Department Expenditures Committee adopted report censuring Robert G. Valentine, former Commissioner of Indian Affairs, for his conduct prior to his resignation.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Congress adjourned for the Christmas holidays today after some lively maneuvers to get President Taft's message into the record, secure action on the President's recent appointments and bring proceedings in the Archbald impeachment trial to a point where they may be disposed of early in January. The House was unable to get a quorum and adjourned after a 17-minute session without even having received the President's message.

The message waited for four hours to secure entrance into the Senate. When that body convened at noon the Republican Senators asked for immediate consideration again of their demand for an executive session to take up appointments. The Democrats consented to the plan and until the impeachment trial automatically took the floor at 1:30 o'clock the Senate fought over the filling of Presidential offices, with the debate carried on behind tightly closed doors. It was not until the impeachment court adjourned about 4 o'clock that the President's message was received and read.

Both Houses of Congress adjourned to meet on Thursday, January 2nd. The Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, will re-convene Friday, January 3rd. The House Money Trust Committee, winding up its session with J. P. Morgan at 3:30, adjourned until 1 o'clock Monday, January 6th. Practically all business of Congress will stand in abeyance throughout the holidays and a majority of the members of both Houses will leave Washington for the vacation.

The Senate confirmed but one appointment, that of John H. Brown as postmaster at Concord, N. H., in the hour and a half of executive debate. No action was taken on the re-appointment of Edgar E. Clark, whose term as inter-State Commerce Commissioner expires December 31st. Senator Hoke Smith, acting for many Democrats, offered a resolution for the confirmation of army and navy appointments, but the Republican Senators insisted on starting at the head of the list for the consideration of postmasters.

Objections by Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, that the postoffice appointments had not received consideration by the full membership of the Postoffice Committee, drew the declaration from Senator Lodge, that if this point was forced, it would be embarrassing throughout the administration of Woodrow Wilson. Senator Lodge declared that the Senate had always followed the precedent of confirming postoffice appointments on the recommendation of the sub-committees or individual Senators to which they were referred. Senator Hitchcock finally withdrew his objections, but no action was taken on any of the other postoffice appointments.

Figures presented by Senator Smoot to show in previous changes of administrations the Senate always confirmed the appointments of the retiring Presidents, met a sharp reply from Senator Hoke Smith. He declared that President Taft had sent over 1,300 appointments to the Senate during three weeks of this session, while President Cleveland sent in but 400 appointments during the whole three months of the last Congress of the first Cleveland term.

DYNAMITE PLOT FRUSTRATED

Plans for Destruction of Denver Mint, Where $500,000,000 Is Stored, Discovered Two Weeks Ago —Precautions

Denver, Col., December 19.—A plot to dynamite the Denver mint, where approximately $500,000,000 is stored, was frustrated by the discovery of the plans two weeks ago on the floor of the public comfort station near the Federal building.

It became known today that the plans had been turned over to Federal officials and that Washington authorities had ordered the doubling of guards at the mint. It had been planned to wreck the building with nitro-glycerine. Nothing tending to identify the conspirators has been found.

Director Not Worried

Washington, December 19.—Director of the Mint George E. Roberts is not seriously disturbed over the plot to blow up the Denver mint with dynamite.

The plans of the proposed dynamiting plot were received by Mr. Roberts some time ago. They were written on two sheets of paper, the author of which was not disclosed, and according to Mr. Roberts outlined the plot in a vague way. It did not show how the plot was to be carried out, Mr. Roberts said, and looked to him a good deal like a scheme to create a sensation.

After he had scrutinized the plans carefully, Mr. Roberts advised the superintendent of the Denver mint to take special precautions.

BATTLE WITH POSSE

Two Killed and Two Injured In Series Of Memphis Tragedies

Memphis, Tenn., December 19.—Spaulding I. Parsons, drug clerk, and Patrolman Jesse Wooten are in the hospital probably fatally wounded and the bodies of Adolph J. Boehler, tinner, and his young wife are in the morgue, as the result of a series of tragedies in Memphis beginning last night with the murder of Mrs. Boehler, and ending with the death of Boehler who was shot by a squad of policemen in a room in which he had barricaded himself early today.

Parsons was wounded by a riot gun in the hands of a sergeant of police who believed his victim was Boehler. Wooten has a bullet in his right lung. He was shot while the officers were endeavoring to capture Boehler, who a few hours previous had killed his wife by cutting her throat because she had applied for a divorce.

Boehler ensconced himself in a rooming house on the principal business street of Memphis, and armed with a rifle and two pistols engaged in a desperate battle with the officers from 3 o'clock this morning until early noon today.

In their efforts to dislodge him, the police fired through the ceiling in the room below that where Boehler, who returned shot for shot, had taken his stand. Shifting the base of operations to the story above they first shot through the floor. Meanwhile, a squad of men stationed on an adjoining roof riddled Boehler's room by shooting through the rear windows. Finally a sheet of iron was obtained, a hole bored through it and the floor above the man at bay, and amid the roar of his fusilade a quantity of formalhyde poured into the opening. When it was believed Boehler was sufficiently overcome the aperture was widened.

With a last effort before surrendering to the fumes of the drug he raised his weapon but at that instant the watchers above riddled his body with bullets.

Boehler was hurried to a hospital, but died on the way.

ANOTHER CUT IN EGGS.

Philadelphia Women Will Sell Them for 22 Cents Today.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—Another cut in the price of storage eggs was decided upon by the Housekeepers' League here today and tomorrow the product will be sold by its members for 22 cents a dozen. It was decided to hold a mass meeting early next month to discuss co-operative schemes for buying and selling other necessities.

A feature of the campaign to reduce the high cost of living was a debate today between Mrs. Derr, leader in the movement, and Dr. Clyde L. King, professor of political economy at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. King declared that the selling of eggs or other commodities by volunteers was not economically sound and of no particular benefit, as prices would rise when the supply is exhausted. Mrs. Derr defended the action of the league as practical if not scientific.

LAST ALLEN REWARD PAID.

Expenditures on Account of the Hillsville Tragedy $25,000.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 19.—The State of Virginia yesterday mailed to the Baldwin-Felts Detective Agency, at Roanoke, a check for $250, which is the last of the rewards for the capture and conviction of Wesley Edwards, the reward of $500 for information leading to the arrest of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards having been paid several weeks ago.

The total expenditures by the State in rewards and in prosecution of the Allen clansmen has not ben made public, but will aggregate at least $25,000.

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at Peterson & Rulfs. Open until 10 P. M. 3t. (Advertisement.)

SHORT SESSION OF PEACE CONFERENCE

Adjournment Taken Till Saturday to Get Instructions From Turkey.

PEACE PROSPECTS BRIGHTER

Turkey Will Empower Delegates to Proceed With Negotiations With Greek as Well as Balkan Plenipotentiaries.

London, Dec. 19.—The peace conference was in session ony a short time today. The Turkish delegates announced that fresh instructions had been dispatched from Constantinope by special courier, therefore, adjournment unti Saturday was taken, by which time the instructions should reach London.

News comes from the Ottoman capital tonight that the government is empowering the delegates to proceed with the negotiations with the Greek as well as the Balkan plenipotentiaries. This decision tends towards peace, as there has been a suspicion that the Turks were maneuvering for time so that they might strengthen their army.

The conference now is in exactly the same position as to the Portsmouth conference after the first week's work. The different parties are daily feeling the way before striking a decisive blow.

Rechad Pasha strongly recalls Count Witte's shrewdness, while the Greek Premier, Venizelos can be compared with Komura on account of his cool attitude and unshakable calmness. There are other very interesting personalities. Dr. Daneff, chief of the Bulgarians, is like an American politician; Novakovitch, the ex-premier of Servia, is an experienced statesman; the Montenegrin, Miyuskovitch, a keen diplomat.

After the sitting today some of the Balkan delegates expressed disgust at the way affairs were dragging, while five armies and three besieged towns were enduring all the sufferings of war and the prospective countries were the prey of desolution, misery and death.

A Bulgarian delegate observed that the Turks were much mistaken if they delayed the conference hoping to strengthen their army with troops from Asia. These reinforcements were chiefly composed of undisciplined Bashi-Bazouks, who would prove a serious danger to the Turks.

In the meantime, the allies are concentrating greater forces along the Tchatalja front to enable them, if war is resumed, to arrive at Constantinople within a few days.

The prevailing opinion is that the various postponings are aiming at intervention by the powers. Turkey hopes to obtain better terms through the powers, some of whom have predominant interests in the Ottoman Empire.

The Balkan delegates, especially the Servians and Montenegrins, expressed dissatisfaction with the statement made Wednesday by Marquis Di San Giuliano, the Italian foreign minister, concerning the aims of the Triple Alliance and remark that Italy had a unique position towards the Balkan States, having herself risen from nothing to a nationality through the union of kingdoms. They are exacting her support in a similar movement by the Balkans.

In voicing their objections, these delegates point out that the Italian government has followed a policy strongly favorable to Austria by renewing the Triple Alliance several months before the date of its expiration.

The Greek proposals will be more complicated than those of the other allies, because they include the question of capitulations, which Greece along with the Balkan States, enjoys in Turkey with the great powers. The capitulations originally imposed on Turkey by the republic of Genoa in 1553, include exemption from taxation for foreign subjects, special courts and other privileges. Greece is ready to accept a clause in the treaty with Turkey promising to renounce the right to capitulations when the other powers do the same.

Turkish Admiral Killed.

Athens, Dec. 19.—Vice Admiral Halil Pasha, formerly minister of marine in the Turkish cabinet, was killed in the naval engagement between the Greeks and Turks off the Dardanelles December 16th. This is the report from a Greek captain who has just arrived from the Dardanelles and made public through a semi-official agency.

Vice Admiral Halil Pasha was on board the flagship Kheyr-Ed-Din Barbarossa, which, according to the same authority, was very seriously damaged. It was necessary to use collision mats to keep the vessel afloat.

Four other officers aboard the flagship were killed and a large number of sailors were killed of wounded. A hospital ship was sent to take care of the wounded.

Three of the other Turkish ships engaged in the battle sustained severe damage. The flagship was pierced by shells on both the port and starboard sides. Fire broke out, but was controlled. The Greek captain asserted also that three Turkish destroyers were hit during the fight.

..Theatrical..

There is plenty of plain speaking in "The Servant In the House," the widely discussed play which is to be presented at the Academy tomorrow, matinee and night. Mr. Kennedy, the author, doesn't mince words when it comes to speaking about crying evils, and some of the language he puts into the mouth of the Drainman, the elemental man who typifies the glory of labor in the play, fairly bristles with strong expletives and picturesque verbiage. He doesn't like clergymen because "he 'ates the sight of their 'alf-baked silly mugs;" his brother's wife is referred to as "Bill's old geezer;" he consigns a worldly bishop to "Hell, 'ell" with easy grace and refers to him as "a silly old josser," and in his famous speech in the last act in which he tells about his visit to the cess-pool underneath the church, he makes use of a number of good old Saxon words of one syllable that sometimes makes supersensitive persons wince.

Holiday prices are prevailing. The matinee will be 25 and 50 cents, and, the night scale only up to $1. Seats are now on sale at Plummer's.

Popular Prices All Next Week

The Four Pickerts open their annual engagement at the Academy Monday night and will hold forth all week, with special matinee Christmas day. The Pickerts are big favorites in Wilmington and their coming is always eagerly looked forward to, and their visit made a rousing success.

This year the Pickerts return stronger than ever and with the best repertoire they have ever offered. Monday night they will open their engagement with a big revival of the ever-popular play, "St. Elmo," which is one of the attraction's feature bills this season. Between acts a new and up-to-date line of specialties will be presented, and it is well-known that the Pickerts themselves will appear in a big dance skit.

Seats for Monday night will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning. The usual courtesy will be extended the ladies.

At the Bijou.

With four big films, one of them starring the noted moving picture actor, G. M. Anderson, in his favorite character of "Broncho Billy", the popular Bijou comes to the front again. The photoplay in which Actor Anderson appears at the Bijou today is "Broncho Billy's Love Affair", and it is by far the very strongest of the series. It thrills with stirring incidents, and Actor Anderson does powerful acting. Another swell dramatic for today is Melies' "A Romance at Catalina." It is exceptionally intense and

MR. G. M. ANDERSON

at the same time unfolds a beautiful love story. Fun will also hold the center of the stage in today's delightful proceedings. There are two of the biggest and best of laugh pictures to be flashed on the screen. One "A Limited Divorce" is novel as well as ludicrous. It tells of two people who can't agree and decide upon a limited divorce. The complications that then ensue are howls for mirth.

"Like the Cat, They Came Back" is the second smile film, and it is also a daisy. It tells a story of a police station, a stern police commissioner, a dandy "copper", his lady love and some loaded cigars.

At the Grand.

Every day is feature day at The Grand, but today will be especially a red letter day, as the management has obtained as a headliner for today's bill a magnificent Kalem production, entitled "Ireland the Oppressed." This film was producel in Ireland, a special company of Kalem players being sent over there to get the setting for the picture, and it will reveal an insight into this interesting country that will be very interesting. Aside from the great educational feature of this picture, the story that is told by the film will be found quite one of the best of the week. Another leader will be a beautifully colored Pathe production entitled "Picturesque Brittany", another interesting and educational reel affording a peek into the past, showing the quaint beauty of this land with the ruins of once magnificent structures. "Lydian Punkham's Love Story" will be another big number by the Pathe people, demonstrating a case of love laughing at locksmiths. Another will complete the big bill. The Grand orchestra will render the "Louisiana Rag" by Will Rossiter, as a special feature today. Mr. Chick will sing that beautiful $10,000 song, "Mine", said to have the greatest swing and most beautiful melody of any song of the year.

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"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

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Sister said she is just crazy for a pair of those evening slippers at Hewlett & Price's. (advertisement.)

C. H. Fore & Co. is the place to buy your Christmas presents. (Advertisement.)

KILLED AFTER FIGHT.

Adam Boehler Held 50 Policemen and Detectives at Bay.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 19.—After holding a squad of 50 policemen and detectives at bay for several hours, during which time three men were wounded, Adam J. Boehler was shot and killed here today. Boehler killed his wife by slashing her throat last night in an apartment in which she lived with a daughter. The couple had been separated for some time. In the battle between Boehler and the police Spaulding Parsons, a drug clerk, was shot and seriously wounded by Police Sergeant Brett. Brett thought Parsons was the fugitive. Policeman James Wooten and Charles Davis were slightly wounded by bullets from the gun of the fugitive. Boehler came to Memphis from Indiana in a house boat. The fact that he had killed his wife was learned through their four-year-old daughter, who witnessed the tragedy. Officers traced Boehler early today to a rooming house on Main street, near Adams. When a demand was made that he surrender, he opened fire through the locked door of his room with a pistol.

Efforts were made to overcome him with fumes of formaldehyde, which were poured into the room through holes in the floor of the apartment above. Finally detectives battered down the door of the room and in the exchange of shots Boehler was riddled with bullets.

SEABOARD IMPROVEMENT.

Five Millions Will be Expended in the Next Three Years.

Baltimore, Dec. 19.—Directors of the Seaboard Air Line Railway held a meeting in Baltimore today, at which a number of improvements for the year were authorized, as well as the payment of interest on the company's outstanding adjustment bonds, payable February 1. The improvements approved by the board included the construction of sidings, etc., at points along the line where they are most needed.

Mr. Harahan reported that the Seaboard system is in splendid shape, and the business was good.

The Seaboard has a comprehensive plan of improvements, which will be carried out during the next three years and which when completed will represent an expenditure of at least $5,000,000. This money will be spent at important terminal points, so as to give the Seaboard additional facilities for handling its rapidly growing traffic.

President William J. Harahan, who recently succeeded N. S. Meldrum as head of the Seaboard, has gone over the property carefully and knows about what the system needs in the improvement line. The expenditure of the amount mentioned will place the Seaboard in a strong position to take care of its future business.

MILITANT CHOOSES PRISON.

Kitty Marion Refuses to Pay Fine in London Court.

London, Dec. 19.—A militant suffragette named Kitty Marion today indignantly refused to accept the offer of a fine of $125 instead of imprisonment for a month when she was brought up at Bow street on the charge of giving false fire alarms.

In reply to the magistrate she declared that if she possessed $100,000,000 she wouldn't pay a cent and was thereupon sent to prison.

A. B. ANDREWS RE-ELECTED.

Stockholders of N. C. Midland Railroad Held Annual Meeting.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 19.—Stockholders of the North Carolina Midland Railroad, in annual session today, re-elected President A. B. Andrews, of Raleigh, together with other officers and directors. The usual annual dividend of 3 per cent. also was declared.

Felt Slippers $1.00 and $1.50 at Hewlett & Price's. (advertisement.)

LAYS IT ON M'NAMARAS.

Defendants' Counsel Declares Unions Took No Part in Explosions.

Indianapolis, Dec. 19.—Upon the McNamara brothers and Ortie E. McManigal, "the confessed dynamiters, who in the name of labor unions committed crimes against which civilization revolts, but in which labor unions took no part," Chester H. Krum, arguing to the jury in the "dynamite conspiracy" trial today, rested the responsibility for the series of explosions which the 44 defendants are charged with having caused.

Mr. Krum, associated with United States Senator John W. Kern, as counsel for the defense, told the jury the government had failed to show that President Frank M. Ryan and other officials of the Iron Workers' Union had violated the Federal statute prohibiting the carrying of explosives on passenger trains and that the government had based its charges chiefly upon the admissions of the dynamiters.

The defense's counsel attacked the confession of McManigal as given on the stand "because this same McManigal is an admitted thief, who testified in court that he stole 1,200 pounds of dynamite and hid it in the shed of his unsuspecting father at Tiffin, O."

"It is not within the power of the Federal government to prosecute for acts of intimidation committed against employers of non-union labor," said Mr. Krum. "These defendants are charged with conspiring to carry prohibited explosives against the Federal laws and it has not been shown that they did so conspire, or that they met together specifically with a view of violating that law."

When Mr. Krum told the jury that the statute of limitation had run against some acts charged, Federal Judge A. B. Anderson interrupted him saying: "You tell that to the jury and I shall instruct them it is not the law."

J. D. Fredericks, district attorney of Los Angeles county, left for Los Angeles tonight after having been in consultation here with Federal officials identified with the trial. Capt. Fredericks said he was returning to Los Angeles to prepare for the second trial of Clarence Darrow, on a jury bribing charge, which is set for January 6th.

Ortie E. McManigal will be kept in Indianapolis until after the trials here are ended and then he is to be returned to Los Angeles. Although McManigal pleaded guilty here, he was brought to Indianapolis on a writ and it is understood he never has been relinquished from the custody of Los Angeles county authorities.

TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE.

Men in All Walks of Life Will be Heard on Currency Question.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The sub-committee of the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives, of which Carter Glass, of Virginia, is chairman, has sent out invitations to an additional list of persons representing various pursuits to appear before the committee in January and render opinions as to what should be done with the currency question.

Included in this second list are Oliver Wilson, president National Grange Peoria, Ill.; William Creasy, master Pennsylvania State Grange, Catawissa, Pa.; J. A. McSparran, Furness, Pa.; Charles Barrett, president Farmers' Educational Union, Union City, Ga.; T. J. Brooks, Farmers' Educational, Atwood, Tenn.; Max May, vice president Guaranty Trust Company, New York City; E. D. Hurlbert, Merchants' Loan & Trust Company, Chicago; John Kirby, Jr., president National Manufacturing Association, Dayton, O.; Thomas F. Meyer, president Wholesale Druggists' Association, St. Louis, and H. E. Miles, Racine, Wis.

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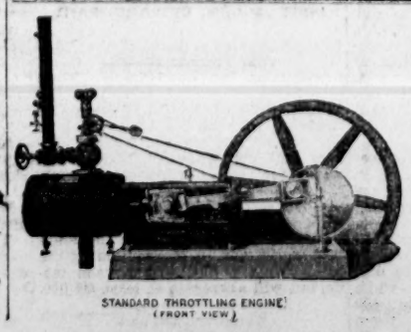

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HURT IN PECULIAR WAY.

Boy on Wheel With Basket on Head Struck Vehicle.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 19.—Frank Kornegay, a colored boy about 12 years of age, was severely hurt in a peculiar manner yesterday. Kornegay, employed as a delivery boy by a Queen street grocer, received his injury when, mounted on a bicycle, he collided with a carriage. Returning from an errand to the store where he was employed, the boy had an empty basket turned up over his head as the easiest manner in which to carry it, and the range of his vision was thereby limited. The vehicle was being driven at a moderate speed up Queen street, and Kornegay, turning into that thoroughfare from Blount, ran headlong into it. The driver stopped his horse so quickly as to throw the animal to its knees, in an effort to avert the collision. The force of the impact was such that Kornegay's bicycle was thrown many feet, and he, thrown violently to the ground, suffered a broken leg. The unfortunate boy ran some distance, trying to extricate his head from the basket. When medical assistance arrived, it was found that part of the bone of the broken leg protruded from the flesh.

Possibly as many as 25 negro gamblers were engaged in a game in a house in Cummings row, in South Kinston, which was interrupted by officers. Special Policeman Skinner and Deputy Sheriff Allen attempted to surprise the players, but warning was had by them and the house was emptied in a jiffy. When the officers burst into the shanty they found only two of the men and one woman remaining. The three were arrested, but no money having been found, the charge against them was changed to vagrancy.

PEARSALL-BARNES

Pretty Home Wedding Celebrated at Dunn

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Dunn, N. C., December 19.—The home of Mrs. Jannetta Barnes on Divine street, was the scene of a beautiful, yet simple, wedding today at 3 o'clock, when her daughter, Miss Mary Owens Barnes, became the wife of Mr. Leon F. Pearsall, of Rocky Mount. The bride's sister, Mrs. Jno. A. McCotter, of Vandemere, N. C., rendered the Wedding March, and the ceremony, beautiful and impressive, was pronounced by Rev. J. W. Shore, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, of this place. The bride wore a brown cloth going-away gown.

The bride is one of our most popular young women, and the popularity of the couple not only with their friends at home but with a large circle of acquaintances throughout the State is attested by numerous presents. The groom is one of the most popular locomotive engineers in the employ of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, and has held for several years the position of secretary of the Brotherhood of Locomitive Engineers.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearsall immediately after the ceremony left for Tampa and other points of interest in Florida. They will be at home to their friends in Rocky Mount, on and after December 25th.

CHARGES WILL NOT DOWN.

Wilson Papers Will Publish Evidence in Coon Investigation.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 19.—Information reached here yesterday of a shooting affray at a corn shucking near Wilbanks, and the police are looking for a negro man, Cleveland Farmer, who shot and killed Charles Skinner. According to the report of the affair, the shooting was without provocation. Farmer left the scene of the shooting immediately and it appears now that he came directly to Wilson and was seen here on the street. One of the local police force spoke to him and inquired where he was going. The information of the shooting came later.

Notwithstanding the fact that the board of education has endorsed the action of Superintendent Charles L. Coon, in the matter of the punishment inflicted on James Anderson, the son of Dr. W. S. Anderson, the incident refuses to pass. Dr. Anderson is furnishing the local press the evidence taken before the board in the meeting held Monday night and the evidence is being published for the information of the public. From the statements of the pupils as printed Mr. Coon evidently impressed his pupils as being angry and rough in his treatment. The publication of the testimony as given by the children is opening the matter for considerable discussion.

SOLD TO FRENCH COMPANY.

Transfer of the Whitney Property at Narrows of Yadkin.

Lexington, N. C., Dec. 19.—In the office of the register of deeds, there was recorded this week a deed from the North Carolina Electric & Power Company to L'Aluminum Francais, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of France. The deed passes to the French company all of the right, title and interest of the North Carolina Electric & Power Company in the lands and possessions of that company in Davidson county, the consideration named being for "one dollar and other good and valuable considerations." The N. C. Electric & Power Company was a New Jersey corporation and formerly owned the Whitney power development.

REFUSED TO WELCOME BRYAN

Gov. Mann Thought Nebraskan Should Call On Him First

Richmond, Va., December 19.—Governor Mann, a Democrat, declined today to assist in welcoming William J. Bryan to a luncheon at a Business Men's Club, because, the Governor said, etiquette first required Mr. Bryan to call upon the Governor.

Mr. Bryan will go to Washington tomorrow to attend a dinner in honor of Governor-elect Sulzer, of New York.

A brand new stock of handbags for Christmas presents at C. H. Fore & Co. (Advertisement.)

Sister said she is just crazy for a pair of those evening slippers at Hewlett & Price's. (advertisement.)

FEW WILL SEE WILSON.

President-elect Taboos Public Receptions at the White House

Princeton, N. J., December 18.—The days of public receptions in the big East room of the White House are numbered, and in the next administration people will not be received at the executive mansion merely for the purpose of shaking hands or gazing in curiosity at the President of the United States. President-elect Wilson declared tonight that he saw no use in spending time just to receive people who had no public business to transact at the White House.

Outside of the needless physical strain of receiving hundreds of people when the President was endeavoring to use his energies for more important pursuits, Mr. Wilson said he did not believe in incessant receptions to tourists and the numerous societies that come annually to Washington.

He also indicated that he would not attend very many of the banquets that national societies of various kinds held in Washington and to which the President is so regularly invited.

"Many of these societies," he said, "represent important objects and I appreciate the possibilities of assisting governmental work in speaking before them, but I really don't see any need of going to the banquets of the organizations. It might be better to address the business meetings of these societies."

Mr. Wilson said that his open door policy would be preserved at the White House so far as it was physically possible, and that he intended to have the doors of the executive offices thrown wide open so that the President would be accessible at all times, but only to those "who have business to transact."

Another White House tradition which Mr. Wilson probably will alter to some extent is the prohibition on the newspaper men of referring to conversation with the President in the first person. Mr. Wilson said tonight he probably would express himself often and in the first person in statements issued from time to time on public questions.

REQUISITION FOR HUBBARD

Baptist Minister to Face Charge at Charleston

Charleston, W. Va., December 18.—A requisition on Governor Mann, of Virginia, was issued today by Governor Glasscock for the extradition of Rev. W. J. Hubbard, who is under arrest at Harrisonburg, Va., charged with assault upon Portia Goldie Hylton, 12 years old, an inmate of the Davis Child's Shelter, this city, of which institution Hubbard was superintendent until a few days ago.

A constable left tonight to bring the prisoner here. Under the State law the crime with which Hubbard is charged is punishable with death.

Harrisonburg, Va., December 18.—Rev. W. J. Hubbard, who is in jail here awaiting extradition for trial at Charleston, W. Va., upon a charge of assaulting a girl inmate of an asylum there, declares he is innocent of the crime.

Rev. Mr. Hubbard, who is a minister of the Baptist church, was arrested last night at Broadway, Rockingham county, where he was on a visit to relatives with his wife. When told of the charge, he said: "This must be a mistake."

Mr. Hubbard married Miss Brannan, of Fredericksburg, Va., where he was pastor of a Baptist church for several years. During the last 10 years he has been pastor of the Baptist churches at Broadway and Cootes Store, in Rockingham, but left the active ministry to take the superintendency of the asylum in Charleston.

THREE SUFFRAGISTS LEFT

Pilgrims to Albany Reach Peekskill Footsore and Weary

Peekskill, N. Y., December 18.—"And Peekskill's just before us."

Gen. Rosalie Jones pointed with her Pilgrim's staff in the direction of the trolley tracks, and the army of Pilgrims, on the hike to Albany to deliver to Governor-elect Sulzer their message, were cheered, despite the fog and the rain, and there was comfort in the assurance that Peekskill was one mile beyond under the blanket of fog.

"Forward," came the order, and the weary marchers took up their journey.

So the hikers came into Peekskill late this afternoon, and tonight they are camped in the Hotel Raleigh. They had reached the end of the third day's march, and it has been the hardest day's work they have put in.

The army is not an army any more. Of those who started out from New York, of course it was not expected that they would take more than an escort, and these have long been left behind. Those who are still in the hike are General Jones, Col. Ida Craft and Surgeon General Dock. Chief Correspondent Jessie Hardy Stubbs did not show up until Peekskill was reached. She went back to New York to fill an engagement. Private Alice Clark left to go back to work. Others, however, will join in the next county and march to Albany.

CHINESE WOMEN IN CELLS.

Immigration Officials Raid Underground Smugglers' Prison.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Locked in steel cells in a dark, evil-smelling Chinese building, United States immigration officials in a raid early today found five Chinese women who recently had been smuggled in from the Orient and arrested two men alleged to be the leaders in the traffic.

To reach the women the immigration officers battered down steel doors at the entrance to the building. Pitch darkness greeted the officers. Not a stairway was found in the building, access to each floor being gained by a trap door reached by a ladder.

Far below the street level in a maze of underground passages the women were found huddled in the cells.

The raid adds to a chain of events which have cost much bloodshed in Chinatown. A Chinese reformer who gave information to the government leading to a previous raid endeavored to return to China to escape the vengeance of the smugglers, but was killed on the liner Korea. His slayer is now awaiting trial in Honolulu.

Christmas Slippers at Peterson & Ruffs. Open until 10 P. M. 3t. (Advertisement.)

PROFITED UNDER GRAFT.

Hotelkeeper Tells of Paying for Police Protection—Patrolman Dismissed.

New York, Dec. 19.—A story of how graft alleged to have been paid for police protection enabled a Raines law hotel keeper in Harlem to build up such a business that finally he disposed of his unpretentious place for $140,000, was told to the aldermanic investigating committee today.

George A. Sipp, for 10 years keeper of the resort, gave the testimony, and as a result of his revelations a police inspector, two ex-inspectors and a number of minor officers were summoned to police headquarters by Commissioner Waldo. A patrolman named as a graft collector, was suspended forthwith.

Mentioning names and dates, Sipp testified that once a month from 1905 to 1910 he paid the police officers, including Eugene Fox, a policeman, $100 in cash for the purpose, he understood, of buying police protection, so that there would be no interference in running his hotel. Fox was described as alleged go-between for certain high police officers.

Corroboration of portions of Sipp's story was given by Thomas Dorian, assistant manager of the same hotel after Sipp sold it for $140,000 to alleged members of the "vice trust" in control of a chain of disorderly resorts and their inmates.

Dorian testified that he, too, paid money to Fox, making $100 a month tribute up to and including December 1911, and since then $50 a month, including a payment of that amount the present month. All these payments were made to Fox, Dorian testified.

COLUMBIANS VICTORIOUS

Defeated Hesperian Society at Trinity for First Time in Six Years

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., December 19.—Before an audience of five hundred the speakers of the Columbian society defeated those from the Hesperian. This is the first time in six years that the Columbians have been able to gain a decision over the Hesperians.

The question debated last night was, "Granted, the desirability of limiting the powers of the judiciary, Resolved, that the doctrine of recall of judicial decisions offers a better plan than the recall of judges, constitutionality waived in both cases."

The Hesperians had the affirmative of the question and were represented by the following: B. W. Ruark, Southport; H. B. Hill, Danbury, and James Cannon, Jr., Waynesville. The victorious Columbian team was composed of the following: A. W. Byrd, Mount Olive; B. F. Dalton, Gilkey, and W. F. Starnes, Monroe.

The judges of the debate were: Supt. W. B. Fry, Cary; A. J. Field, Esq., Raleigh, and F. E. Smith, Esq., East Durham.

A team from Trinity will debate this same question with Swarthmore College sometime during the Spring.

EGGS SOLD IN THE RAIN.

Philadelphia Housekeepers' League Continue Crusade More Actively.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—Members of the Housekeepers' League, who yesterday, disheartened by adverse criticism, were ready to discontinue the sale of storage eggs to bring down the cost of living, met today and determined to increase rather than diminish their activity.

To demonstrate that they are still enthusiastic on the subject the women sold 10,800 eggs for 24 cents a dozen on the city hall plaza in a downpour of rain, and announced that tomorrow the price will be 25 cents.

Mr. William B. Derr, president of the league, who had announced her intention of abandoning the campaign, addressed a meeting of club women today at which plans for continuing the fight were discussed. It was determined to increase the number of stations, which include many settlement houses, and to reduce the price to 23 cents a dozen. She explained that much of the success for lowering prices on necessities depends upon the elimination of the middleman and the selling direct to the consumer.

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No. 51, * 5:55 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars Between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *12:30 A. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No 65, ! 6:25 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:30 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadourn, Conway (!), Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, * 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P.M.
N. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M. ..
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, *10:00 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No.58, ! 8:15 A. M.

* Daily. ! Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., can 'phone 160.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 29, 1912.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for The Beach	WEST BOUND. Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave The Beach for Wilmington
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Special for Saturdays and Sundays.

Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:00 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

Cars marked (*) do not run on Sundays.
Cars marked (!) run Sundays only.
Cars marked (x) superceded by half-hour schedule Saturdays and Sundays.
Cars marked (o) leave at 1:10 P. M. Saturdays.

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Wilmington to New York.
Steamship "Carib," Sat., Dec. 7th, 1912.
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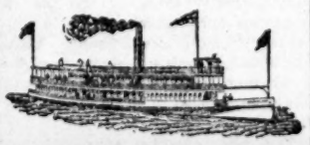

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Steamer will leave Wilmington daily (except Sunday) for Southport and Fort Caswell 9:30 A. M. Leaves Southport 2:30 P. M.
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Schedule Effective July 7th, 1912.

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DAILY SLEEPER ON NO. 45 TRAIN FOR CHARLOTTE. OPEN FOR OCCUPANCY AT 10 O'CLOCK P. M.

No. 39—3:25 P. M., arrive Hamlet, 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 11:00 P. M. Connects at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa. Also Norfolk, Richmond and All Points North. Pullman chair car between Wilmington and Charlotte.

TRAINS ARRIVE WILMINGTON.

No. 40—12:30 P. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 44—12:10 A. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

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W. B. & S. R. R.

Schedule in Effect Thursday, Sept. 5, 1912.

P. M.		A. M.
3:15 Lv	Wilmington	Ar. 8:15
4:05 "	Town Creek	" 7:20
4:20 "	Bolivia	" 7:05
4:55 Ar.	Southport	Lv. 6:30

Mixed train operated daily except Sunday Leaving Navasso at 8:30 A. M., arriving Southport 10:35 A. M. Leaving Southport 11:20 A. M., arriving Navassa, 1:15 P. M.

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a.m.	10:40 p.m.
Lv. Durham	7:00 a.m.	5:30 p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 p.m.	2:50 a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a.m.	6:55 p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p.m.	8:30 a.m.

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COMMUNICATIONS, unless they contain important news, or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected unless the real name of the author accompanies the same, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Friday, December 20, 1912.

Those who give way to envy are liable to entertain malice.

Probably a blooming idiot is the man who makes a toddy blossom of himself.

The irony of fate in Texas is to be caught at a Christmas frolic without a shooting iron.

Some men's idea of making a hit is to strike the fancy of a girl with a big lot of dough.

Woodrow Wilson has the knack of speaking right out whether there is any meeting or not.

A man prefers to do his Christmas shopping late for fear he might be expected home too early.

It seems odd, but Southern city folk would rather belong to a country club than to become members of the municipal league.

Owing to the fact that so many people insist that marriage is a failure, most married men have reason to wonder how they have managed to keep out of the hands of a receiver.

"President Taft is not doing any worrying," says a Republican contemporary. He hasn't got any cause to worry. He can put his eight electoral votes in his vest pocket and let Wilson do the worrying by himself.

Washington society has laid down a rule that it isn't good breeding to mention the four D's in conversation at a function of any description. The four D's are descendants, dress, domestics and disease. That is liable to cause a lull in the conversation.

The sensational statement is now made that Mrs. Bell Guiness, who ran a productive "murder farm" near La Porte, Ind., was not burned up in her house but is still living. We shudder to think of it, and would never think of answering a matrimonial advertisement inserted by a lady farmer anywhere outside of the South.

A Northerner who has been taking a trip through the South, says the best evidence of prosperity in Dixie is that "no town in the South has a house to rent." However, nobody need stay away on that account. Outdoor life in the South is better than being cooped up in a hot house in the wintry North. Come on South and build you a house.

Lynchburg has sold a million and a half pounds of dark tobacco this season, at an average of $6 a hundred pounds. The average received on the Petersburg market may be that high. It is claimed that the average price received thus far on the bright tobacco markets of North Carolina, with 77 per cent. of the crop sold, is $29 a hundred.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

With an Atlanta optimist, everything done there is on a whopping big scale. The Journal claims that the poultry show recently held in Atlanta was of "nationwide importance." So it was. If for no other reason, it was of nationwide importance because it was held in Atlanta. Every Southern city would do well to cultivate the Atlanta idea of its importance.

Before the Senate Investigation Committee at Washington on Wednesday former Senator Foraker made a statement to the effect that two former Standard Oil Company employes stole the Archbold letters from the letter files and sold them to William Randolph Hearst for $34,000. We don't know whether that was the price or not, but we are inclined to believe that Mr. Hearst has had fully that much fun out of those letters.

RATES TO SUIT CANADA

Those good people of North Carolina who thought their Democratic Senators and Representatives, save one, were protectionists because they voted for a revenue duty on lumber, will be interested in a fact brought out at St. Louis last Tuesday before B. H. Meyer, a special examiner for the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The examiner was inquiring into certain discriminating freight rates, and one of the witnesses was Mr. H. C. Martin, general freight agent of the Grand Trunk Railroad. He testified that American railroads raised their rates on lumber from Southern States because the Canadian roads complained that the rates from the South were too low. The hearing is being conducted on complaint of Southern lumber dealers who are protesting against the suspension of a rate of 37 cents from territory south of the Ohio river to Canada.

The much talked of protection on lumber is an average duty of $1.25 per thousand feet, or a per centage duty of 7 1-2 ad valorem. It is said the railroads made preferential rates in favor of Canada as high as $1.50 per thousand feet, which gives Canadian lumber interests the advantage in spite of the lumber tariff, one of the best revenue schedules in the Payne-Aldrich tariff act.

It will be observed that the tariff advantage for American shippers was practically nullified by discriminatory railroad rates, and that the duty is strictly on a revenue basis since it does not protect the lumber interests on this side. The North Carolina delegation in Congress has been criticised for voting against free lumber, but they saw the injustice in the Aldrich proposition to put lumber on the free list. It would have deprived the government of a large amount of revenue, and the only benefit it would have been to any interest would have gone to Canadian lumbermen.

The significant thing about the whole matter is that the small distribution of tariff benefits in the South is nothing compared with the tremendous drain upon the South in freight rates that are rankly discriminating. North Carolina gets a good dose of it and she is more interested in freight discrimination that she is in duties on the few Southern products upon which a merely revenue tariff is levied in most instances. Even on cotton goods, the tariff act itself discriminates against the South, while on transcontinental shipments of cotton goods the freight rates are lower from Massachusetts than they are from Georgia.

LACK OF PUBLICITY FOR OUR RESOURCES.

The Florence Times complains that Florence county is not getting the credit she deserves as a county on account of "her wonderful natural resources in soil and climate, nor for her remarkable agricultural achievements." However, the Times must admit that Jerry Moore, the boy corn grower, has been the cause of an immense amount of pubilicity for Florence county and also for all this incomparable agricultural region on the South Atlantic. However, our contemporary says:

"Jerry Moore is known all over the United States as the champion boy corn grower of the world, but Florence county has got little credit for her part in this remarkable record. Miss Pearl Currin is being advertised as the champion tomato grower of the United States, but the State at large is reaping the principal credit for her achievement. This condition of affairs could and should be remedied. We would suggest that the Chambers of Commerce of Lake City, Florence and Timmonsville each appoint a committee to work together in geting out an attractive folder or pamphlet setting forth the natural advantages and the remarkable records being made in Florence county along agricultural lines."

The Times makes a valuable suggestion. Even if the boy corn growers and the girl tomato producers make big records, and the facts are not known away from home, what good do such demonstrations do, except to encourage our own people to become better farmers? So far as attracting agricultural settlers is concerned, these records accomplish nothing unless effective publicity is given away from home among people who might be induced to settle in this section.

The most effective advertising of the great agricultural resources of the Carolinas is being done by the Atlantic Coast Line, whose lines penetrate this portion of the "Nation's Garden Spot." Last Fall, the Coast Line made up an exhibition car at Wilmington and sent it to the great fairs in Ohio, Illinois and Michigan. By that means, thousands were given impressive object lessons as to our production and the opportunities here for people who want to make money by farming. Next Fall, the railroad will again send its car to other States, and it is here that every county in this country can co-operate with the Coast Line. The counties can furnish products for exhibition, while each can vie with the other in sending along printed accounts of farming records and results. The railroad can do its best but it will do still better if our people will appreciate its efforts and do their part.

THE TARIFF ON ARGENTINE BEEF

Several days ago The Star referred to the Texas cattle tick as one of the reasons given by American packers for the shortage in beef cattle. We do not think there can be any doubt that the cattle tick does a great deal of injury to the cattle-raising interests of this country, but even Republican papers are now suspecting that the principal cause of the high price of beef is the tariff tick.

It is said by the statisticians that the Texas tick costs the people of the United States $100,000,000 a year, by causing the death of cattle by the thousands in Texas and other cattle-producing States. The question is a live one for the National Live Stock Association soon to be held in Arizona, one of our great cattle-producing States, but the skeptical New Orleans States says "if the National Live Stock Association should give any countenance to this excuse for continued extortion in the price of beef, the consumer will see that it is the strongest kind of argument for inviting foreign competition by removal of duty on Argentine beef and cattle."

The States is of the opinion that so far as the shortage of cattle is concerned, it furnishes a sufficient reason for the importation of a supply from Argentina, where the supply is abundant. Certainly, if we cannot raise enough cattle to feed our people on beef at reasonable prices, there is no need of anything but a revenue duty on beef instead of a prohibitive duty.

Speaking of the coming meeting of the National Live Stock Association in Arizona, the Buffalo Express, a Republican paper that supported Mr. Taft in the last campaign, shows its disbelief in the trust's excuses for the high prices of all meats, by calling on the Democrats in Congress to remove the tariff on South American cattle. "Argentina," it says, "has vast herds of cattle which could be almost immediately available for use in this country if the tariff were removed."

We must not overlook the fact, however, that if the Beef Trust imports cattle or beef it will continue to fix the price here. In that instance the trust will get the benefit of the Argentine supply, instead of consumers.

A Northern poetess has turned out some verse begining this way: "Come walk with me 'neath the snow-clad trees." Come on South and walk beneath her sunny skies. Leave the snow-clad trees behind and you'll be wise.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Rightly understood, it is to the shame of a municipality for it to be said that its water system more than pays for itself. And yet municipal authorities have been heard to boast that the water department income aided largely in paying the general expenses of government. "One form of taxation that is particularly obnoxious", said Representative R. R. Williams, of Buncombe county, in an interview given the Asheville Gazette-News the other day, "is the custom prevailing among certain municipalities to make a profit out of water furnished to consumers for the purpose of meeting the expenses of other departs of the government, and of charging higher rates from small consumers than from large ones." The protection of property is a function of government, and the government should be supported by the return of a part of the property whose possession is thereby secured. Water is not property. The municipality does not buy it; it cannot be made a medium of trade. Even where a people are so ill-advised as to allow the furnishing of water to become a private business, conducted for gain, the individual or concern does not buy the water.—Greensboro News.

A curious confession of failure is that made by the State of Louisiana through the adoption of a constitutional amendment extending the operation of the "grandfather clause" which, when originally enacted in 1898, was to expire in 1912. This clause had the effect of exempting the bulk of the white population from the educational qualification for the right to vote, but it was to apply for 14 years only, thus giving ample opportunity for all boys of school age at the time of its adoption to fulfill the requirement before they came of age. It was believed," says the New Orleans Times-Democrat, "that this provision would give a stimulus to the cause of education and that every white boy would insist upon such schooling as would enable him to sign his name and ultimately to vote. It is generally to be regretted in the cause of education that this warning was unheeded, and that the bars had to be let down again last month for the new army of white illiterates who have grown up in the last 14 years in spite of what has been done to give them a schooling. The Times-Democrat urges the continuance of State aid to local schools with a view to the bettering of this situation; but it has nothing to say on either the equity or the expediency of continuing the discrimination in favor of illiterate whites after 14 years' notice."—New York Evening Post.

The visit here of John Armstrong Chaloner and his references to the case which attracted him to Raleigh have brought up some discussion as to whether any persons not really insane are now in any of the hospitals for the insane in this State. There seems to have grown up a sort of custom for committals to be made without a personal examination by county authorities. One would think that the authorities would not only make such a personal examination, but that they would if necessary, have the services of a special physician, on their own behalf, for it would be a matter of the most profound regret to know that there was in an institution of this class one person unlawfully committed. In England a few years ago a very powerful novel was written by one of the world-masters of literature, to set before the people of his country the fact that to its hospitals for the insane persons had been committed unlawfully and unjustly. This novel had a tremendous effect, as may be imagined, and it stands on a par with another famous one in which Dickens set before the world the injustice of the so-called boarding schools for boys. North Carolina is justly proud of the management of her State institutions and must spare no pains to see that every form of law is fully complied with, not only as to the letter, but as to the spirit, since the latter means vastly more than the mere letter.—Raleigh Times.

SECOND IN IMPORTANCE TO PANAMA CANAL.

To the Editor of The Star:

Permit me to congratulate you and Mr. Hugh MacRae upon your good work and upon his fine presentation of the Inland Waterway Project, from our point of view, before the Chief of the United States Engineers in Washington, at the hearing of our Committee on yesterday.

It was most fortunate that our representatives were able to be present, and I trust that there may be a reversal of the Engineers' adverse decision, and that our original scheme for entrance into the Cape Fear river above Wilmington may be officially approved.

I believe it to be second only in public importance to the Panama Canal, and I have hoped to live to see an endless line of tugs and barges and yachts in Cape Fear waters, bound north and south, leaving in the lap of Wilmington the toll of an ever increasing commerce, and bringing us millions of dollars in wealth, and influence beyond the dreams of our forefathers. MARINER.

IMPEACHMENT COURT ADJOURNS

Archbald Will Take Stand In Own Behalf After Holidays

Washington, December 19.—After hearing several witnesses for the defense, the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment in the trial of Judge Robert W. Archbald, of the Commerce Court, today adjourned for the holidays, to convene again January 3rd, when Judge Archbald will take the stand in his own behalf.

The court session today lasted a little over three hours, during which counsel for Judge Archbald made a vain effort to conclude examining witnesses for the defense. When it became evident that this could not be accomplished, the court, on motion of Senator Gallingher, adjourned.

John W. Peale, of New York, was the first witness. He identified several letters that passed between him, Judge Archbald and John Henry Jones, regarding the purchase of the Oxford Washery, near Scranton, Pa., in which Jones and Judge Archbald are alleged to have been interested.

John Henry Jones, of Scranton, was called and corroborated evidence he had given before the House Judiciary Committee.

Thomas Ellsworth Davies, a mining engineer of Scranton, was examined as to the worth of the culm dump.

"Did you estimate what the dump was worth?" asked Attorney Worthington, for the accused jurist.

"Yes," said Davies, "and I reported to my clients not to touch it. It was not worth what was asked for it."

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS.

N. C. Delegation in Congress Leaves Capital—Overman at Trenton.

Wilmington Star Bureau,
23 Wyatt Building.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Nearly all of the State delegation in the House are on their way home tonight. Representatives Stedman, Page and Webb left for the State tonight; Congressmen Doughton and Kitchin started Wednesday night, and Representatives Small and Senator Simmons left on the night boat for Norfolk, where they will make an inspection trip of the inland waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort. Senator Overman will probably leave for home tonight. The junior Senator is at Trenton tonight, conferring with President-elect Wilson.

Representative Small said today that as soon as District Attorneys Gronner, of Virginia, and Seawell, of North Carolina, conclude their investigation as to the title of the property, the Albemarle & Chesapeake canal will be turned over to the United States government as a part of the inland waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort.

A marriage license was issued today to C. Madison Ray, of Lexington, and Miss Nannie Shumate, of Bealeton, Va. P. R. A.

CONCLUDE EXAMINATION

Koreans Are Being Tried for Conspiracy Against Gen. Terauchi

Seul, Korea, December 19.—The conclusion of the examination of the 106 Korean prisoners under trial for conspiracy against the life of Gov. General Count Terauchi, of Korea, will, in all probability, be reached tomorrow.

The statements on the witness stand of the alleged leaders who are undergoing examination show they had a general knowledge of the Sin Min Hei, the secret society organized by Koreans in America with branches in Russia and Korea.

Nearly all other prisoners had denied they had even heard of the society, and asserted that the police had forced them to admit being members.

All the men now testifying were implicated by Baron Unchiho, a former Korean cabinet minister, in his confession. They now assert they were ignorant of any conspiracy. They do not allege that they were ill-treated.

Washington, December 19.—The Socialist candidate for Congress from the First South Dakota district, Ed. M. Jacobson, of Sioux Falls, spent two cents for his campaign, according to his report to the House today. This was the price of the stamp that brought his expense statement.

Buy your Christmas presents from C. H. Fore & Co., and save money. (Advertisement.)

Doll shoes at Hewlett & Price's. (Advertisement.)

The Wonderful Toy Store

This Store has made splendid preparations for the Holiday Shoppers. Everything on display on First and Second Floors. A Great Variety of Small Toys, as well as the Large Toys, like Automobiles, $7.50 and $10.00; large Rocking Horses, real horse hair cover; strong enough for a small Man to ride, $4.50 up to $8.50.

Express Wagons, Velosepedes, Tricycles and various kinds of Baby Carriages, 50c to $5.98. Lots of new novelties in Toys that you have to see to appreciate.

Many new things in the Chinaware for Christmas gifts.

Ladies' new Neckware for gifts are always appreciated. Kid Gloves make fine gifts. We have them in big assortment.

Umbrellas are always acceptable gifts, they are here at 98c to $5.00.

Christmas Coat Suits and Furs, also Children's Coats; Silk Waists; Linen-drawn work; Muslin Underwear; all these are useful and acceptable gifts.

Crawford Shoes for Men—Dolly Madison, LaFrance; or Zeigler Shoes for women, are useful gifts.

Remember our store will remain open until 9 o'clock beginning Monday, December 9th.

Remember beginning Monday, December 9th, our store will remain open evenings until 9 o'clock for the benefit of our customers who cannot come early in the day.

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HOOKWORM CONFERENCE ENDS

Southern Association Holds Annual Election of Officers

Little Rock, Ark., December 19.—The Southern conference for the Eradication of Hookworm closed its annual session today with the election of officers. Dr. O'Lean West, Nashville, was chosen president; Dr. A. G. Fort, Atlanta, and Dr. LaBruce Ward, of Charleston, S. C., first and second vice presidents, respectively, and Dr. S. D. Porter, New Orleans, secretary-treasurer. The executive committee was empowered to name the time and place of next meeting.

More aggressive State health departments and the co-operation of those bodies with State educational departments in combating disease through campaigns of education was one of the principal topics discussed during the day.

See those beautiful down quilts at C. H. Fore & Co. (Advertisement.)

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Opium, Whiskey and Drug Habits treated at Home or at Sanitarium. Book on subject Free. DR. B. M. WOOLLEY, 19-N, Victor Sanitarium, Atlanta, Georgia.

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The rate for mechanics' time from this date will be 70 cents per hour. Work guaranteed.

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Merry Christmas, Indeed

is in the home illuminated with light from such beautiful and convenient fixtures as are to be had here. The beautiful soft light they give, the atmosphere of brightness and cheerfulness are well worth much more than such fixtures cost here. Just come and see them. That's all. A full line of nice portables, pocket lights, toy motors and electric engines, electric irons, and stoves, all the above articles mentioned make useful Christmas presents. Store will be open to 10 o'clock through the holidays.

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Seats for Monday night on sale Saturday at Plummer's. Usual Free Courtesy to the Ladies
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AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 26TH, 1912.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$194,080.83	Capital	$ 50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,803.54	Profits	3,469.64
Real Estate	12,060.00	Deposits	170,008.78
Cash	16,062.05		
Total	$224,018.42	Total	$224,018.42

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FINAL GAMES THIS EVENING

Great Interest In Basketball Contests At Boys' Brigade—First Half of Season Will Come To Close

As the time approaches for the final games of basketball of the present series at the Boys' Brigade tonight, interest increases accordingly and unless all signs fail a record crowd will be present to witness some of the most stirring games of the season. The Y M. C. A. Juniors will play the Eagles, the Seniors will meet the Cardinals, and Company A will meet Company B.

Great importance attaches to these games tonight, especially those between the Eagles and Juniors and Companies A and B. It will be remembered that at present Company B leads with a margin of one game, while the Juniors and Company A tie for second place. In order to win the championship of the first half of the season it will be necessary for Company B to defeat Company A. Should Company A defeat Company B they will then be tie for first place and as the Juniors are practically sure of victory over the Eagles they, too, will be tie with the Company teams for first place and this will make it necessary to play three more games to finally decide the championship.

Probably never before in the history of the game in Wilmington has such equality been shown by three teams as they have been running neck and neck for the entire series without any assurance as to which would be ahead after the next game. While all the games will be good that between the Company teams will be the star game of the evening. Both teams realize the importance of this game and they have been getting into the very best shape possible for the struggle. Company A believes they have the best team in the league and they promise to make good the boast tonight though the Juniors and Company B both dispute this claim and with good reason as Company B now leads and the Juniors are tie with the A men, so that it looks as though Company B had a shade the better of the argument. Company B are as anxious to retain their lead and win the championship tonight as are their rivals to equal them and they will go into the game with all the determination which they possess to defeat Company A and to set at rest for this series, at least, the mooted question about superiority. Company A will have its regular line up, with Duls and Kure at guard; Fick in center, and Houston and Gerdes at forward. As is acknowledged, there is no better pair of guards in the city than Kure and Duls, both of whom play a fast, clean game which creates havoc with the goal-shooting of their opponents, while Fick at center, has the jump on almost all the other centers in this league and this gives his team an advantage which is considerable. Hanson and Gerdes at forward, are always dangerous and with anything like an open chance they can score at will.

However, they will be opposed by a set of youngsters who have for several seasons led all the other teams in the Brigade and they are not apt to allow their opponents the pleasure of winning without one of the greatest struggles of their lives. Branch and Register will play forward and when they are going good they can make things lively for any guards in the business. They are in good condition and as a result of practice they are throwing goals from all parts of the field, and they will keep Duls and Kure on the jump. Borneman in center, is also in good condition and is jumping well, but he will be obliged to jump some to get over Fick, With E. Register and Sholar at guard, goals by Hanson and Gerdes will be few in number for these two are fast and consistent performers who never let up while the ball is in their territory, and goals are secured over them only by the hardest kind of playing and some luck. All predictions in this game are vain as they are so evenly matched that the least accident, the smallest piece of good luck or the slightest hesitation or carelessness on the part of any player can throw the game either way so that none can forecast which will be the winner. All that can be said at this writing is that some of the fastest basketball ever seen at the Brigade is expected to be played tonight when these two teams meet for their final struggle for a championship.

The game will begin at 8:30. Seats to accommodate about 150 are provided and all are free to the public, both ladies and men. Mr. Dushan will referee. Mr. Register will score and H. Dixon will act as timekeeper.

SPECIAL SERVIC ETONIGHT

Mr. M. W. Craig to Address B. Y. P. U. at First Baptist Church

The B. Y. P. U. service of the First Baptist church tonight will be conducted by Group Three, Mr. J. H. Mitchell, captain This group has been fortunate in securing Mr. M. W. Craig, a ministerial student of Greenville, S. C., to make a talk on "The Work of the B. Y. P. U." Mr. Craig is also president of one of the largest B. Y. P. U.'s of Greenville and will no doubt tell some things that will be of interest to the young people of the city. Miss Merle McEachern will sing a solo.

The group is very anxious to have a large audience to hear Mr. Craig's talk, so it extends a cordial invitation to every young person in the city to come out tonight at 8 o'clock. Visitors in the city are also welcome.

Famous Stage Beauties.
look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blotches, Sores or Pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema and salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unequaled for piles. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy. (advertisement.)

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For the best kid gloves go to C. H. Fore & Co. (Advertisement.)

YOUNG LADY INJURED.

Miss Brady Turrentine Victim of Unavoidable Automobile Accident.

Friends of Miss Brady Turrentine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Turrentine, Jr., will regret to learn that she was the victim of a serious automobile accident yesterday afternoon at Fifth and Princess streets, when she was knocked down by Dr. J. C. Wessell's automobile, sustaining a broken left ankle.

Miss Turrentine and a girl friend were walking up Princess street and at Fifth, as they parted, a street car came by. Miss Turrentine waited for the car to pass and as it did so she started across the street, only to be hit by Dr. Wessell's car, which he was driving north across the tracks. Dr. Wessell was driving slowly and was dodging a carriage as he crossed the street. He was unable to see Miss Turrentine, by reason of the passing street car, until it was too late to avoid the accident, and for the same reason she failed to see him.

The car hit the young lady a glancing blow and threw her on the fender, to which she clung until Dr. Wessell brought the car to a stop. He immediately went to her assistance and she was carried into the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Struthers, Jr., where, with the aid of Dr. C. P. Bolles, who was summoned, the fractured limb was set. Miss Turrentine was not otherwise injured, and she was removed about 5:30 to her home, where she was reported last night as resting as well as could be hoped.

The accident was of an entirely unavoidable nature and no blame attaches to any one. The many friends of the popular young lady will rejoice that she was not more seriously injured and will hope that she will speedily recover.

SCHOOLS CLOSE TODAY.

Children in the City Will Have Nearly Two Weeks' Vacation.

The city graded schools and the rural public schools will close today for the Christmas season. The rural schools will re-open on Monday, December 30th, but the city schools will not re-open until Thursday, January 2nd. The rural schools desire to close as early as possible in the Spring is the reason longer time is not taken for the holiday period. Christmas exercises will be held this afternoon or evening in most of the rural schools of the county. While the exercises will not be elaborate, they will be of an interesting nature. The teachers in both the city and rural schools who live in other towns will go home for the holidays with few exceptions, while some of those who live in this county will visit relatives or friends in other cities during the season.

The Cape Fear Academy, of which Prof. Washington Catlett, is principal, will close Monday afternoon. The Spring term will begin January 2nd.

PYTHIAN DISTRICT MEETING

Gathering Yesterday Afternoon and Last Night at Acme

With a large attendance, practically all the lodges of the district being represented, the district meeting of Knights of Pythias for the first district, was held yesterday afternoon and last night with Cronly Lodge No. 192, at Acme. Wilmington was well represented at the meeting, the Pythians going up to Acme on the afternoon train and returning early this morning. Among those from Wilmington scheduled to speak at the meeting were Col. Walker Taylor, Grand Chancellor; Mr. J. D. Nutt, Deptuy Grand Chancellor; Capt. Thos. D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer, and Dr. W. C. Galloway. The visitors were welcomed to Acme by Mr. G. Herbert Smith, chairman of the committee on arrangements and one of the most active Pythians in the State.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

Stuck Broom In Fire and Caught Clothing—New Inspector
(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., December 19.—Little Elizabeth Jones Blanchard, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blanchard, of this county, died this evening from terrible burns received last afternoon in the Blanchard home. The mother went into the yard to direct a hired man, leaving the child in the room alone with a broom which the little thing stuck into the fire, setting fire to her clothes from the burning broom. As the mother rushed into the house attracted by the screams of the child, she met the little thing in the door with her clothing in flames.

Both the mother and hired man were painfully burned in vain efforts to put out the fire in the child's clothing.

Captain Russell C. Langdon, Third Infantry, U. S. A., has arrived to relieve Capt. H. E. Eames, as inspector instructor on the part of the United States War Department for the North Carolina National Guard, Capt. Eames being directed to rejoin his regiment at Fort Snelling Minn. He has been away from his regiment the maximum time of four years out of six. Capt. Langdon served in the Spanish-American war and in the Phillipines. He has reported for duty at National Guard headquarters.

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PLAYS BLAMED FOR DIVORCES.

Cardinal Farley Would Eliminate "Triangle Plot" and Problem Drama.

New York, Dec. 18.—Elimination of the divorce problem and the "triangle plot" from the drama as a step to improving morality of the stage was suggested by Cardinal Farley and other members of the National Catholic theatre movement at the home of the cardinal today. Some of the present Broadway plays were described as having descended to "as low a depth as possible without making it necessary to call in the police."

Cardinal Farley discussed the "evil influence of the modern stage," and said parents must hurry a movement toward creating a sentiment against bad plays.

"In the kind of plays we attack we must pick out the so-called problem plays," he said. "The patently vulgar plays are bad enough, but those that deal in the sex problem are the most dangerous. Many divorces are, in my opinion, due to ideas gathered by young people from problem plays."

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COLORED CONVENTION HERE

Three-day Session Opens This Evening at Chautauqua Auditorium—Delegates From Several States Attending

At the Chautauqua Auditorium, or the Eastern Star hall, on Princess street, near Tenth, tonight at 7:30 o'clock will convene the Sabbath School Missionary and Temperance Convention, a well-known colored body, to continue in session through Sunday.

In attendance will be delegates from many points in North and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Washington, D. C., and even as far West as California. The attendance promises to be very large. Some of the delegates have already arrived and many more will come in on the different trains today.

Mayor Joseph D. Smith will deliver the welcoming address at the opening session this evening, and on the platform will be Dr. C. B. Stephenson, of Atlanta; Rev. Stewart Kime, of Los Angeles; Mr. J. W. Siler, of Greensboro; Mr. V. O. Cole, of Gravaville, Tenn., and Mr. J. E. Hansen, of Glenwood, N. C., all well-known white orators, who will assist in the meeting. Other prominent white citizens of this city will also be present and take part in the exercises and an expert culinary science demonstrator from the Battle Creek Health Institute, Battle Creek, Mich., will give two practical demonstrations each day of the convention. White people are cordially invited to attend the sessions of the convention, and pews will be reserved for them. Courteous attention will be given to the comfort of all.

Four sessions will be held tomorrow, the first at 10 A. M., and the others at 2, 4 and 7:30 P. M. The first session Sunday will be at 6:30 A. M., with other sessions at 11 A. M., and 2, 3, 7 and 7:30 P. M.

ORDERED TO VACATE

Downtown Merchant Collides With the Law—Order Served

Acting on an order from Judge Frank Carter, of the Superior Court bench, Maj. W. N. Harriss, Clerk of the New Hanover Superior Court, yesterday issued an execution ordering Sheriff S. P. Cowan to disposses John Simon, a foreign merchant, from a store occupied by him at No. 6 South Front street.

Deputy Sheriff A. L. Kelly served the paper and started the work of removing Simon's stock to the street, but he was advised later in the day not to proceed to the extent of putting the man out of the store.

The order was issued because Simon refused to comply with an order from the court to the effect that he provide acceptable bond to Mr. A. D. Wessell, the owner of the store, guaranteeing that the rent would be paid. Simon was given 10 days to furnish such a bond and when he failed to do so in that period of time, the court ordered that he be dispossessed.

L. Clayton Grant, Esq., attorney for Mr. Wessell, stated yesterday afternoon that Simon would have to vacate, and that the store had been leased to Samuel Farah & Co.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

First Practice Held This Week—Will Arrange Match Games

With the close of the football season, interest of the High School students has turned to basketball. On Tuesday the first practice was held at the Boys' Brigade armory under the direction of Mr. Chas. Dushan, who has been elected coach for the team. With 15 candidates on the floor for the first practice prospects look very bright. The material on hand is good and with the competent coaching which they will receive a very successful team should be turned out.

Games will be arranged shortly after the holidays and led by "Bob" Burnett, as captain, the High School team will be sure to make a record for itself. Practice games will be played in the gymnasium at the Boys' Brigade armory three times each week and with so many candidates trying for positions the contests should be interesting and exciting.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Fidelity Trust & Development Co., to J. Victor Grainger, Jr., for $1,000 and other considerations, lots 34 and 35, in block 1, of Sunset Park; S. Abramowitz and wife, to Wm. L. Smith, trustee, for Winslow W. Smith and Norwood G. Smith, for $2,600, lot on west side of Eighth street, 198 feet south of Queen, 66x165 feet in size; Thos. J. Gore and wife to The Jocelyn Co., for $1,000 and other considerations, lot on southeast corner of Ninth and Castle streets, 70x89 feet in size; L. W. Davis and wife to Wm. L. Williford and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lots 8 and 9 in block 30 of Carolina Place; Dr. E. S. Bulluck to Annie M. Turley, for $100 and other considerations, lot on east side of Brown street or alley, 75 feet south of Nixon, 45x75 feet in size.

JOHNNY DUNDEE WINS.

Aspirant for Featherweight Title Outpoints English Champion.

New York, Dec. 19.—Johnny Dundee, the local featherweight, who is matched to meet Johnny Kilbane, the champion, for the title in Los Angeles in April, outpointed Eddie Morgan, of England, in a 10-round bout here tonight.

Morgan surprised close followers of boxing in the first six rounds, but Dundee was more rugged than the Englishman and outlasted him.

New York, Dec. 19.—Confirming reports of the serious illness of Allen A. Ryan, the following statement was issued today by his father, Thomas F. Ryan: "Mr. Allen A. Ryan has had a serious abdominal operation. He is at the General Memorial Hospital. The operation was performed by Dr. Charles M. Dowd, who, with Dr. Herman Biggs and Dr. W. Gilman Thompsons has charge of Mr. Ryan."

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HOLIDAY RUSH IS NOW ON

Busy Days Around Postoffice and Express Office—Special Arrangements to Handle Increased Business of Season.

The Christmas rush is on at the postoffice and already packages are coming in from outside, while the flood of outgoing packages and parcels is growing larger each day. However, arrangements are being made to handle everything with dispatch and indications are that all mail will be delivered prmptly, with little congestion.

In the office the force has been increased by two extra men and outside five auxiliary carriers will be put in service. With this added force Postmaster Thos. E. Wallace and Mr. Warren G. Elliott, his assistant, expect to be in as good or better shape to handle the holiday mail than ever before. In the lobby of the postoffice a weighing and rate clerk is on duty, so that persons with packages to mail can have them weighed and rated before going to the stamp windows. All persons with packages to mail are requested to have them weighed and rated before going to the stamp windows, in order to save time. Those who desire to send packages by registered mail are also asked to inform the rating clerk of this, so that he can figure the rate out.

In order to accommodate the public and facilitate the heavy sales in stamps at this season, it has been decided to sell stamps at the general delivery window as well as the regular window, and this arrangement will doubtless be very convenient to the public.

The Wilmington Red Cross Society has a table in the lobby of the postoffice, where Red Cross Christmas seals are sold. This is convenient to those mailing Christmas packages, and who may wish to purchase the seals, and large numbers are being sold. The proceeds from the sale of the seals is used by the society in its fight against tuberculosis.

The rush of mailing outgoing packages commenced yesterday afternoon, and will increase in volume until Saturday, when probably the maximum amount of mail for the holiday season will be mailed. As for the incoming mail, it is already coming in to some extent, but the rush is expected to commence tonight and continue until Christmas Day.

At the express office, too, the holiday rush is beginning to assert itself, but the management has put on an increased force, and it is expected that the vast volume of business will be handled speedily and without congestion. Not an inconspicuous item of the increased express receips is the amount of wet goods daily arriving. Those who have been in the vicinity of the express office recently about the time of the arrival of trains from the North and South, declare that never before have they seen so many packages of liquids. Evidently Christmas in Wilmington will not be altogether dry.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Two Negroes Were Given Terms on County Roads Yesterday.

Love Chick and Chas. Wiley, both colored, with police records, vied with each other yesterday in holding the attention of the Recorder's court. Love Chick is the negro who was arrested a few days ago on suspicion that he was in some way connected with the murder of Richard Blount, colored, at Nobles' Neck a few weeks ago. While the police were unable to connect him with the murder mystery, they were nevertheless able to hold him for trial on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. When arrested he had two pistols, two decks of cards and a set of dice in his pockets. This paraphernalia stamped him at once as a bad man. Although disappointed that Chick was not the negro wanted in connection with the murder, the police were glad they had arrested him, for it meant one more negro with a gun out of the way for a season. The Recorder gave him three months on the roads.

Wiley has been before the court any number of times, but so far, as the evidence went yesterday he had never been convicted, always being lucky enough to escape somehow. He no doubt thought he would be able to get off yesterday for he did not appear at all worried over the outcome while the trial was in progress. Running a gambling house was the charge against him. His arrest followed the shooting of Fred Moore, colored, in Wiley's house a few nights ago. The police were never able to find out who did the shooting, but in their investigation of the affair they learned that the shot was fired as a result of a quarrel over a game of cards at which money was bet. Wiley was promptly arrested on the charge of running a gambling house. The Recorder considered the evidence sufficient to sustain the charge and gave the negro nine months on the roads. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., represented the defendant.

John Herring, colored, charged with vagrancy, was discharged, the case being nol prossed with leave. In the case of Messrs. Geo. C. Jackson and C. E. Hall, who were tried Monday for an affray and found guilty, Mr. Jackson was required to pay the costs.

Cyrus D. Hogue, Esq., prosecuted for the State yesterday in the absence of Assistant City Attorney Geo. L. Peschau, who was otherwise engaged at the time.

$20,000 BROOCH MISSING.

Lost or Stolen From Mrs. R. C. McCormick While on a Train.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Robert C. McCormick, of New York City, who arrived at Jacksonville today, reported the loss of a diamond brooch containing 33 diamonds, which was either lost or stolen while Mrs. McCormick was a passenger on the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad.

Mrs. McCormick was en route to Palm Beach. The pin is valued at $20,000.

Felt Slippers $1.00 and $1.50 at Hewlett & Price's. (advertisement.)

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¶We shall be glad to attend to any of these exchanges or subscriptions for you.

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110 PRINCESS STREET

MARINE HELD FOR FORGERY

Floyd Irwin, Arrested at Annapolis, In Baltimore Jail

Annapolis, Md., December 19.—Floyd Irwin, a private of marines attached to the station ship Reina Mercedes, at the Naval Academy, was held under $1,000 bail today by Police Justice Dennis Claude on the charge of forgery.

It is alleged that Irwin forged the name of Commodore Archibald Davis, of the Navy, officer in charge of ships at the local station, to checks which he attempted to cash at local stores last night. He offered a check for $16, but failed to get it cashed. It is said he also had a check for $100, though he did not try to get the money for this.

Irwin was arrested after he left a hotel, the proprietor of which had refused to cash the $16 check. Irwin is 26 years old and his home is in Tennessee. He was taken to the Baltimore City jail, where all local prisoners are being cared for during the construction of the new jail building at Annapolis.

STABILITY OF CRIME.

Something Uncanny About It, Says Attorney General Bickett.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—"There is something uncanny about the stability of crime," declared Attorney General Bickett, of North Carolina, in his biennial report today. "It seems to be perpetrated with as much regularity as the ebb and flow of the tides."

He pointed out that the number of cases reported to the attorney general for the four years ended July 1912, was 40,507, as compared to 40,604 for the preceding four years. Convictions for the two periods were a little more than 27,000.

FLIES OVER MEDITERRANEAN.

French Aviator, in Covering 160 Miles, Establishes New Record.

Trapani, Sicily, Dec. 18.—Roland G. Garros, the French aviator, made a splendid flight over the Mediterranean Sea from Tunis, Africa, to Sicily. He landed near Trapani, having covered a distance of about 160 miles over water.

This establishes a new over-sea record, surpassing that of Lieut. Bague, who, on March 5, 1911, flew over the Mediterranean from Antibas, France, to the little island of Gorgona, off the Italian coast, a distance of 124.5 miles.

Garros recently established a new altitude record of 19,032 feet at Tunis.

Sister said she is just crazy for a pair of those evening slippers at Hewlett & Price's. (advertisement.)

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Do Your Christmas Shopping Here

AN ABSOLUTE CLEARANCE
A Vast Panorama of Real Price Reductions.

We MUST make room for Holiday Displays, the Garment stocks being most bulky must GO at once. This means DRASTIC price reductions and a Ready-to-wear buying opportunity for you that is entirely without precedent. Our styles have already scored, unmistakably; our original prices, being lower than competition, made a CYCLONE hit. BUT NOW these new CLEARANCE CUTS should start such a furore of buying as the store never knew before.

This Monster Pre-Holiday Garment Sale Lasts but One Week.

This Sale embraces all the BEST STYLES in Suits, Coats, Furs, Waists and Skirts for Women, Misses and Children. Nothing will be reserved, but each Garment will be offered at an IRRESISTIBLE reduction from our regular figures—and our REGULAR figures are ALWAYS below competition.

Let Nothing Keep You from This Great Sale.

OPENING CHRISTMAS DISPLAYS.
Gift Goods for Every Member of the Family.

Our Christmas Stocks—better, bigger and handsomer than ever—will be ready tomorrow. A six months' tireless search of the great wholesale quarters, the Toy marts, the Doll factories and the Fancy Goods houses has produced a fascinating gathering of Holiday Goodness, the like of which was never before seen in Wilmington. It is like one vast World's Fair of Christmas Wonders and you should come and SEE it. No matter whether you intend to buy or not, we especially welcome the sightseers. After all, however, the finest thing about THESE Holiday Stocks is the fact that we NEVER exact EXTRA profit because of the Christmas Season. Prices HERE are ALWAYS fair.

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Do Your Christmas Shopping Early This Year, at POLVOGT'S. It Pays.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Mr. Cicero Gore, a student at thhe A. & M. College, is home for the holidays.

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Master B. Frank Boykin has arrived from Bule's Creek to spend the holidays at home.

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Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Betts, of Greensboro, are in the city on a visit to Mr. O. A. Durant.

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Mrs. A. H. Weedon and children, of Hope Mills, S. C., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Weedon's sister, Mrs. A. L. Kelly.

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Miss Lina DeRosset returned yesterday morning from Baltimore to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. DeRosset.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Cowan have returned from a visit of several days to New York City. Mrs. Cowan visited Norfolk, Va., before going to New York.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Home Science Department of North Carolina Sorosis has been postponed until after the holidays. The date of the meeting will be announced later.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rivenbark, Mr. Wilmer Rivenbark and Mrs. A. C. Burton, of Burgaw, were in the city yesterday doing Christmas shopping, having driven over in Mr. Rivenbark's automobile.

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Mr. Nichols Post, a student at the University of North Carolina, arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Post. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. E. Post and Miss Lillie Post, of Baltimore, are expected Saturday to spend the Christmas season here.

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The annual holiday dance of L'Agile Cotillon Club will be given in the Masonic Temple on Wednesday evening, January 1st. It was at first thought that the dance might be held on December 27th, but on account of a conflict with other functions scheduled for the night the governing board has selected New Year's night.

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The souvenir dance which was to have been given at the Elite Dancing Academy Wednesday night was postponed on account of rain, and will be given tonight instead. Special music will be furnished by the orchestra, and attractive souvenirs will be presented to everyone in the grand march. The event will no doubt be attended by a large number of the young people of the city.

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At 7:30 o'clock service at the First Baptist church Sunday evening an augmented choir, consisting of some of the best local singers, will tell to the world in tone the ever beautiful story of the birth of Christ in the rendering of "The Story of Bethlehem", a Christmas cantata, by William R. Spence. The music harmonizes with the story and is effectively written. Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, the pastor, will talk on "The Star in the East."

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The Sigma Nu fraternity will give its fifth annual dance at Lumina, Wrightsville Beach, Friday night, December 27th, instead of Monday night, December 30th, the date originally selected. The change was made on account of the fact that the date conflicted with the engagement of "The Prince of Pilsen," which appears at the Academy of Music on the night of the 30th. The dance will be a leap year event. More than 100 young ladies will be extended invitations and they in turn will invite their escorts.

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The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, was held yesterday afternoon at the W. L. I. armory. The meeting was well attended and of a most interesting nature. In addition to the regular routine business plans for the coming month's work were discussed, and there was also a discussion of plans for the celebration of Lee-Jackson Day, January 19th, at which time it is expected that the State president and recording secretary will be here to take part in the exercises. The wreath committee for January was appointed as follows: Mrs. T. E. Sprunt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Bunting and Mrs. A. C. Craft.

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Friends in this city have received invitations reading as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blackwell Markham
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their sister
Miss Louise Hackney
to
Mr. Leon Mac Johnston
on the evening of Thursday the ninth
of January at six o'clock
St. Philips' Episcopal Church
Durham, North Carolina.

The following car accompanies the invitation:

At Home
After the first of February
Littleton, North Carolina.

Mr. Johnson is a brother of Mrs. F. A. Fetter, of this city, and he lived here until two or three years ago. He and his bride expect to visit Mr. and Mrs. Fetter the latter part of January.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Dr. J. B. Sidbury, of the Roosevelt Hospital, in New York, who has been at the bedside of his father, Mr. V. Sidbury, at Scott's Hill, returned last night, his father's condition being greatly improved.

—Arrivals at the Southern yesterday included Miss Gertrude Reeves, Parkersburg; Miss Lillian Robinson, Supply; W. P. Flynn, Natmore; T. B. Jenkins, Bristol, Tenn.; H. A. Brooks, Wallace; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rivenbark, W. H. Rivenbark, Burgaw; W. G. Porter, Kelly.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were F. B. Gault, Lake Waccamaw; Miss Anna Dell Durham, Burgaw; T. Lee, Watha; Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Boney, Wallace; J. M. Clark, Elizabethtown; Miss Janie Clark, Clarkton; S. S. Clement, Roseboro; George Trust, East Arcadia; A. B. Holmes, Council; A. K. Stevens, G. W. Stevents, Council; Edwin G. Wright, Boardman; J. M. Council, Wananish.

WILL BE TRYING.

Washington's Manager Says He Will Be Close to Top.

(Richmond Times-Dispatch.)

Several sad experiences have taught Clark Griffith the futility of claiming pennants for his team in the off season. Just the same, Griff is not averse to throwing a few bouquets at the Washington team and their prospects for next year.

This is what he says: "This is no time of year to win pennants. I, of course, was more than satisfied with the showing the team made last year. For a team that was seeing its first year together it really did splendid work, but there is no way of telling what it will do next year. I grant you that we have a team which, if it goes as well as it did the greater part of last season, will be up there knocking at the door, but so many things can happen which may put a team out of the running that it is a serious mistake to make any predictions.

"I must admit that we look to have a splendid chance on what we have shown. That was a pretty nifty team we took through the last season, and even without a change being made it ought to be better. There is, of course, a chance for the team being improved, for there is never any telling what the trial season will bring forth from the corps of youngsters. We had a fairly well balanced team last year—that must be conceded—and we deserved to finish just where we did. If we can improve conditions, we should win more games than we did, and don't overlook the fact that we did not have much of a ball team during the first six weeks of the campaign. I am not claiming any pennants but we will be out there trying, and if we do not have a lot of bad luck in the matter of having players injured, we will be able to let the other seven clubs know that we are in the race."

BODIES ARE RECOVERED.

Remains of Kearney and Lawrence Picked Up From the Sea.

Los Angeles, Dec. 19.—The bodies of Horace Kearney, aviator, and Chester Lawrence, newspaper man, recovered from the sea, lie side by side tonight in a little undertaking shop at Redundo Beach. They met death in an attempted hydro-aeroplane flight from Los Angeles to San Francisco. Ten hours after the body of the young reporter, battered almost beyond recognition by waves and rocks, was found on the precipitous coast near Rocky Point, that of Kearney was picked up a mile away at sea by a searching party.

Kearny's body was found entangled in kelp and partly attached to a life preserver, the white cloth of which attracted the searchers to the spot. There was every indication that Kearny had met death soon after his hydro-aeroplane struck the water. The life preserver had not been buckled about him. His hands were gloveless and clenched. It is believed Kearny and Lawrence could not have been more than five miles from shore when a treacherous air current or a defective engine dropped them to the water. The relative conditions of the bodies showed that Lawrence died last and that he had made an ineffectual attempt to relieve himself of his heavy wearing apparel in order to better able to battle with the heavy seas. A light jersey and a heavy sweater were pulled partly over his head, showing that he had been drowned while trying to remove them. The main section of the hydro-aeroplane has not been found.

RED MEN SEE TAFT.

Kitikak Indians Pose for Moving Pictures at White House.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Taft did not see J. P. Morgan at the executive offices today, but he did see Weehahig Skiokemworahee, a Kitikak Indian, wearing a gaudy suit and hat of turkey feathers, together with 40 companions of Skookem, the majority of them fine looking Indians, who have graduated from Carlisle or other schools.

The bunch of red men and women are in Washington attending a convention of the Brotherhood of North American Indians, and it is proposed to have another meeting here about the time of the inauguration. R. C. Adams, the Washington head of the brotherhood, believes that an immense gathering of Indians can be brought here for the inaugural parade, and that this could be made one of the features of the big event.

Skookem and three other old Indians dressed in fancy suits, with headdress of feathers and wearing moccasins, insisted on monopolizing most of the space in the views of the moving picture machine taken to the White House to accomodate their vanity and later to amuse gaping audiences in picture shows.

CARTER MAKES BOND.

Former Asheville Banker Accepts Service of Capias.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 19.—John H. Carter, formerly president of the American National Bank, of this city, today accepted service of the capias issued against him recently in Greensboro by Judge Boyd, and made bond in the sum of $8,000 for his appearance at the May term of Federal court here. The bond was signed by Harmon A. Miller, of this city, who qualified for many times the amount of the bond, although many of Mr. Carter's friends present were anxious to sign his bond. Mr. Carter came here from Oklahoma last Sunday, to spend the holidays, and the capias did not arrive until late last night.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE TODAY.

Judicial Settlement Society Will Hear Distinguished Men.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Distinguished men from all parts of the country will take part in the third annual conference of the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes, which will begin its session here tomorrow.

Governor Simeon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut, president of the organization, will preside. Attorney General Wickersham will speak tomorrow night on the "Supreme Court of the United States, a Prototype of a Court or Nations."

Christmas Slippers
at Peterson & Rulfs. Open until 10 P. M. 3t. (Advertisement.)

LOCAL DOTS.

—R. S. White, Esq., of Elizabethtown, is in the city.

—The British steamer Minitoria, Capt. Marlowe, arrived yesterday from Pomaron with cargo of pyrites for the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., the vessel coming to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

—Charged with cutting Sarah Russell, colored, on the hand, Nora Nixon, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon. She denies the charge. The trial will be held before Justice Harriss this morning.

—The bar of the county will meet in the Clerk's office at the Court House this morning at 10:30 o'clock for the purpose of arranging the calendar for the civil term of Superior Court, which begins on January 6th.

—The service on the Carolina Place street car line has been improved to the extent that an extra run is made at night. The last car leaving the junction for Carolina Place and return now is 10:55 P. M., instead of 10:35 P. M., as formerly. This gives two late cars to Carolina Place, as the beach car leaves at 11:15 P. M.

—In the case of R. H. Everett against the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, which was tried at the last term of Superior Court and judgment given the plaintiff for $5.000 and costs with interest from date of an accident which befell him three years ago, the defendant paid into Superior Court yesterday the amount, the total being $4,022.60. The plaintiff sued for the loss of an arm.

LIPTON SURE TO TRY.

Will Issue Challenge, But Awaits Advice From New York

Boston, December 18.—Sir Thomas Lipton said definitely at the Copley-Plaza yesterday that he is going to challenge for the America's Cup, but he will say no more until he hears from the New York Yacht Club.

When he arrived here night before last the Irish yachtsman said he was willing to enter a cup yacht. Today he came out with the definite declaration that he is to make still another try for the famous trophy. He further declared that, in event he is able to conclude satisfactory arrangements with the New York Yacht Club, he will name his boat Shamrock.

Sir Thomas intimated that his challenge will stipulate nothing unreasonable, and that he expects to find the American sportsmen ready and willing to give him another chance. Speaking of the matter, he said:

"I am going to challenge for the America's Cup, and I expect within twenty four hours, when I am to arrive in New York, to have some definite word from the New York Yacht Club. Until then my lips are sealed."

As has been said before many times, Sir Thomas Lipton or any other credited person may have a race for the cup any time he pleases by complying with the few simple conditions under which the race has always been held. The challenger must give the New York Yacht Club ten months' notice; he must build his yacht outside of the United States; the yacht must be brought to New York on its own bottom; he must either give or take time allowance according to the New York Yacht Club rule of measurement, or he may race against the defender, boat for boat, without any time allowance.

$100,000 CASE TO JURY

Fitzgerald Trial of Five Weeks Is Finally Ended

Chicago, December 19.—The case of George W. Fitzgerald, former teller in the United States sub-treasury here, accused of embezzeling $173,000, went to the jury today after being on trial five weeks.

The government attorneys charge that investigation of Fitzgerald's affairs shows that he suddenly became into possession of big sums of money after the disappearance of the package of large bills from the sub-treasury. Fitzgerald has offered evidence to show that he obtained the money legitimately. He asserted many others besides himself had access to his cage in the money vault.

It is estimated it has cost the Federal government about $100,000 to prosecute Fitzgerald. This includes the five years' preliminary investigation made by the government before Fitzgerald was placed on trial.

Because of the illness of Harold C. Russell, a juror from Oswego, Ill., the jurors were taken to their hotel tonight. Deliberations will be resumed tomorrow morning if Russell's condition permits. He is not thought to be seriously ill.

IS AGAINST DUELLING.

New Mayor of Havana Refuses to Fight Indignant Veteran.

Havana, Dec. 19.—Gen. Freyre Rade, the new mayor of Havana, has set his face resolutely against the National custom of duelling. Col. Manuel Aranda, a prominent member of the Veterans' Association, visited the mayor yesterday. He was accompanied by eight comrades for whom he demanded appointments. The mayor refused to comply with his demand and indulged in a sarcastic comment on the veterans' greed for office. Then ensued an acrimonious personal dispute.

Col. Aranda today sent two seconds to the mayor, who promptly arrested both of them and committed them to jail. The mayor's action has caused great excitement in the highest social and political circles, and his further action is awaited with intense interest. The mayor says he is fully determined to enforce the anti-duelling law, regardless of consequences.

FORTUNE FOR "BRACING UP"

Millionaire Puts It Up to Son Whether Latter Shall Inherit Millions

Denver, December 19.—Two wills have been prepared by Alonzo Thompson, octogenarian millionaire and spiritualist of Denver. In the first will his son, Alonzo, Jr., is to be given the entire fortune, "if he can brace up and be a man."

The young man's conduct is to decide whether he becomes beneficiary under the first will or another one by which he is bequeathed $5.

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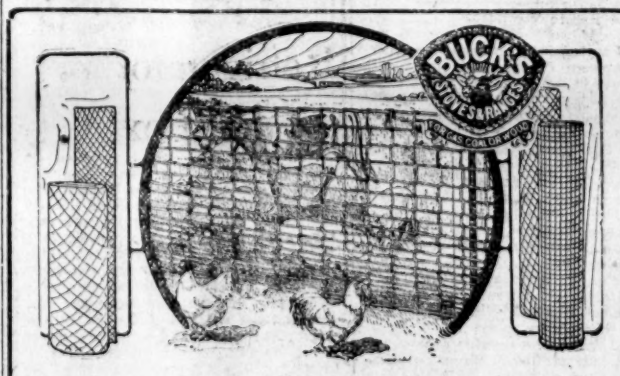

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON MARKET IRREGULAR THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET TONE OF STOCKS IMPROVING

Near Months Were Relatively Firm on Covering—Close Was Barely Steady, Seven Points Higher to Six Lower.

New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton market was rather irregular today, with the near months relatively firm on covering in advance of the first January notice day and on reports of a continued steady spot situation. The close was barely steady, net 7 points higher to 6 points lower. The market opened steady, at unchanged prices to an advance of 4 points on overnight buying orders, which appeared to have been attracted by the firmness of yesterday and by an idea that there might still be a considerable short interest which would cover before the publication of the ginning report tomorrow morning. The demand, however, was by no means urgent, suggesting that the short interest had been well eliminated earlier in the week, and trading soon became quiet, while prices eased off from the best under renewed realizing. After selling off to a net loss of 3 or 4 points, the market firmed up on covering by near month shorts, who seemed to find comparatively little January for sale. That delivery in consequence advanced to a premium over March for the first time in months, and sold about 10 points over the closing price of yesterday, while later deliveries showed net gains of only 3 or 4 points. Realizing in the later months was again in evidence toward the close, and while last prices were within a point or two of the best on Summer months showed final reactions of 6 or 7 points.

Spot closed steady. Middling uplands, 13.20; middling gulf, 13.45. Sales, 1,500 bales.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	12.79	12.83	12.74	12.83
Jan	12.80	12.88	12.76	12.87
Feb	12.82	.....	.....	12.83
Mar	12.85	12.87	12.79	12.82
Apr	.....	.....	.....	12.81
May	12.86	12.88	12.79	12.87
June	.....	.....	.....	12.73
July	12.78	12.80	12.72	12.73
Aug	12.08	12.65	12.59	12.63
Sept	12.11	.....	.....	12.10
Oct	11.96	11.95	11.91	11.95

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 13; net receipts, 23,425; gross receipts, 23,425; sales, 500; stock, 488,280; Great Britain, 12,487; France, 5,523; continent, 14,982; coastwise, 8,801.

New Orleans—Firm, 13; net receipts, 6,363; gross receipts, 6,340; sales, 1,600; stock, 237,763.

Mobile—Steady, 12 13-16; net receipts, 569; gross receipts, 569; sales, 675; stock, 41,421.

Savannah—Steady, 12¾; net receipts, 4,730; gross receipts, 4,730; sales, 1,574; stock, 170,941; coastwise, 1,372.

Charleston—Steady, 12 11-16 to 12¾; net receipts, 1,134; gross receipts, 1,134; stock, 70,148.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 2,315; gross receipts, 2,315; stock, 18,222.

Norfolk—Steady, 12¾; net receipts, 2,547; gross receipts, 2,547; sales, 1,053; stock, 67,785; coastwise, 2,331.

Baltimore—Nominal, 13; stock, 8,078.

New York—Steady, 13.20; net receipts, 283; gross receipts, 4,103; sales, 1,500; stock, 104,970; Great Britain, 7,709; continent, 800; coastwise, 3,136.

Boston—Steady, 13.20; net receipts, 617; gross receipts, 1,779; stock, 19,430.

Philadelphia—Steady, 13.20; gross receipts, 6,061; stock, 6,925.

Texas City—Net receipts, 6,702; gross receipts, 6,702; stock, 61,125; coastwise, 600.

Brunswick—Stock, 18,014.

Pensacola—Stock, 7,136.

Jacksonville—Stock, 2,042.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 48,625; Great Britain, 20,196; France, 5,523; continent, 15,782; stock, 1,322,290.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 305,670; Great Britain, 53,363; France, 17,888; continent, 109,146; Japan, 25,243; Mexico, 1,100.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,567,980; Great Britain, 2,166,556; France, 688,636; continent, 1,831,927; Japan, 111,067; Mexico, 1,600.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 12¾; net receipts, 17,509; gross receipts, 17,509; shipments, 15,578; sales, 1,857; stock, 137,418.

Augusta—Steady, 13; net receipts, 2,422; gross receipts, 2,654; shipments, 1,141; sales, 1,605; stock, 120,422.

Memphis—Steady, 13¼; net receipts, 2,889; gross receipts, 4,300; shipments, 5,187; sales, 1,850; stock, 157,397.

St. Louis—Steady, 13¼; net receipts, 755; gross receipts, 3,072; shipments, 2,767; stock, 17,916.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 935; gross receipts, 935; shipments, 1,402; stock, 12,674.

Little Rock—Quiet, 13; net receipts, 1,500; gross receipts, 1,309; shipments, 677; stock, 47,179.

Total today—Net receipts, 25,900; gross receipts, 29,889; shipments, 26,752; sales, 4,492; stock, 513,606.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, December 19.—Flour—Quiet.

Wheat—Irregular. No. 2. red, 1.07½@1.08½; No. 1, Duluth, 97¼.

Corn—Steady, at 56¾.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Quiet.

Hides—Easy.

Leather—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Raw and refined, steady.

Coffee—Spot, steady. Rio, No. 7, 14¼c.; Santos, No. 4, 16¾c.; mild, quiet; Cordova, 16¾@18c.; Havre, ⅛@1/16 franc lower; Hamburg, unchanged to ⅛ pfennig lower.

Potatoes—Steady. Southern sweets, 1.50@2.00.

Cabbages—Steady; unchanged.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Freights—Barely steady; grain by steam to Liverpool, 4¾d.; do. London, 4½d.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet but firm on lighter offerings of crude, covering of shorts, and supporting orders from local bulls. Closing prices were 10c. higher for December and 3 to 10 higher on the balance. Prime crude, 5.15@5.20; do. Summer yellow spot, 6.20@6.50; December, 6.25; January, 6.20; February, 6.22; March, 6.24; April, 6.25; May, 6.34; June, 6.37; July, 6.39; Prime Winter yellow, 6.40@6.90; do. Summer white, 6.30@6.90.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 17.—Spanish—Market, steady. Farmers' Spanish, $1.25 per bushel. Jumbo Spanish, $1.20 per bushel. No. 1, Shelled Spanish, 7c. per lb. to 7¼c. No. 2, Shelled Spanish, 4¼c. per lb.

Virginias—Market, firm. Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb. Fancy Hand Picked, 3½c per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c. per lb. Prime, 3c. per lb. Machine picked, 3c. per lb. Shelling stock, 2½c. per lb.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, December 19.—Money on call, easier, at 4@4½; ruling rate, 4½; closing bid, 4; offered at 4½. Time loans, easier; sixty and ninety days, 6 per cent; six months, 5½. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange, easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8110 for sixty day bills and at 4.8355 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.80¾. Bar silver, 63¼. Mexican dollars, 49¼.

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(Advertisement.)

Previous Day's Gain Was Not Maintained and Closing Prices Were Lower—Provisions Were Firm—Quotations.

Chicago, December 19.—The grain markets today failed to maintain yesterday's gains, with the closing ⅝@⅞c. down, corn a shade to ⅜, and oats a shade to 1/16@⅛c. Provisions were firm.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.09@1.10; No. 2, hard, 87½@91; No. 1, Northern, 88½@89; No. 2, Northern, 87½@88.

Corn—Not quoted.

Oats—No. 1, 33; No. 2, white, 35@35½; standard, 34@34½.

Closing prices:

Wheat—December, 85⅝; May, 90¾@90⅝; July, 87½.

Corn—December, 48¼; May, 48⅝; July, 49½.

Oats—December, 32⅝@32¾; May, 33⅛; July, 33⅜.

Pork — January, 17.80@17.82½; May, 18.87½; July, 19.05.

Lard—January, 9.87½@9.90; May, 9.90.

Ribs—January, 9.70; May, 9.72½.

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Arrived.

Str. Monitoria (Br.), 1,165 tons, Marlowe, Pomaron, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Lisbon, Black, White Oak, J. W. Brooks.

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Schooners.

Schr. Perry Setzer, 1,268 tons, Blake, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr. Richard F. C. Hartley, 398 tons, Swain, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr. Victor C. Records, 263 tons, Griffith, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr. Louise F. (Br.), 160 tons, Albury, Maffitt & Wood.

Barques.

Bk. Madura (Nor.), 1,023 tons, Brandt, Helde & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 19.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady at 38.

ROSIN—Steady at $3.75.

TAR—Firm, $2.20 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $3.00 per barrel for hard; $4.00 for dip; $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 48¾; rosin, $6.10; tar, $1.80; crude turpentine, $3.50 for hard; $4.50 for dip; $4.50 for virgin.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	18
Rosin	157
Tar	—
Crude Turpentine	45

Receipts same day last year, 4 casks spirits turpentine; 9 barrels rosin; 20 barrels tar; 20 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, 8¾.

Receipts, 2,315; same day last year, 1,416 bales.

Total receipts since Sept. 1st, 279,849 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 337,319 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 19.)

CORN—Firm; 90c. per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, 85c. to 95c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, dull, 50 to 60c.

BEEF—On foot, good demand, 3@4c. per lb.; dressed, 8c.

PORK—Dull, 9 to 10c.

WOOL—Burry, 1⅝ to 18c. per lb.; free of burr, 25c. per lb.

HIDES—Green, 11c. per lb.; dry, 13 to 16 2-3c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 19 to 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 13½ to 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27@28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; 4½ to 5c. per lb.

POULTRY—Chickens, very dull; grown, 45 to 50c. Chickens, Spring, 18 to 35c. per head. Turkeys, on foot, dull, 18c.

SHEEP—Old, $1.00@2.50; lambs, $1.00@3.00.

EGGS—Dull, 25c.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 20.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,220 bales cotton, 30 barrels rosin, 45 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—290 bales cotton.

River—5 bales cotton.

Str. Geo. Stover—7 casks spirits turpentine; 77 barrels rosin.

Schr. C. T. Hermon—11 casks spirits turpentine; 50 barrels rosin.

Total—2,315 bales cotton; 18 casks spirits turpentine; 157 barrels rosin; 45 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

Market—Steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine-picked, $1.05. Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine picked, $1.05.

Virginias—Prime hand-picked, 70c.; machine-picked, 65c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, December 19.—The cotton goods markets ruled steady. Clothing manufacturers are applying themselves freely on Fall goods, the opening prices for the new season showing advances on staples ranging from 2½ to 12½c. a yard. Yarns were firm.

BIG SALE OF SEALS

Half Million Will Be Realized for Tuberculosis Fight

New York, December 19.—The sale of Red Cross Christmas seals throughout the United States this season will bring between $400,000 and $500,000 to aid in the fight against tuberculosis, according to reports received here today from all over the United States by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. More than 100,000,000 seals have been delivered for the campaign among 100,000 agents. This year's sales, it is expected, will surpass those of last year by from eight million to 15 million seals.

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After Period of Unsettlement Prices Moved Upward and During Remainder of Session Market Showed Firmness

New York, December 19.—There was an unmistakable improvement today in the tone of the stock market. After a brief period of unsettlement early in the day, prices moved upward and during the remainder of the session the market showed increased stability and underlying firmness. Stocks were in small supply and holders apparently were reluctant to dispose of them at current prices. Bear traders, in consequence, were able to make little headway.

Announcement after the close yesterday that the Union Pacific management had been unable to agree with the Attorney General upon a plan of dissolution aroused some apprehension as to the effect upon the Harriman stocks. Both Union Pacific and Southern Pacific were weak at the opening. Union Pacific sold at 154, a loss of 2 points, and Southern Pacific at 1.04½, the low point of the recent declines, and a loss overnight of 1¼. Other stocks gave way at the same time, but opening prices were generally the lowest, and the upward swing soon set in. Bear covering assisted in the rise, which reached 1 to 4 points among a number of important issues. Union Pacific rose nearly four points from its early low quotations and the copper shares, Steel and American Tobacco developed marked strength. Although there was little change in the local money market, bankers are unwilling to realize funds in view of the requirements of the year-end period. Bonds, irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,138,000. United States bonds, unchanged on call. Total sales today, 435,700 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	73¾
American Agricultural	55
American Beet Sugar	40¾
American Can	29
American Can, pfd	114½
American Car and Foundry	53¾
American Cotton Oil	56
American Ice Securities	18¾
American Linseed	10¾
American Locomotive	41⅜
American Smelting and Refining	71⅝
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	104¼
American Sugar Refining	116½
American Tel and Tel	139¾
American Tobacco	277
Anaconda Mining Co	38¼
Atchison	105½
Atchison, pfd	101¾
Atlantic Coast Line	130½
Baltimore and Ohio	104⅝
Bethlehem Steel	35½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	88¾
Canadian Pacific	257½
Central Leather	28
Chesapeake and Ohio	78
Chicago Great Western	17
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	111¾
Chicago and North Western	136
Colorado Fuel and Iron	33½
Consolidated Gas	139
Corn Products	13¼
Delaware and Hudson	163
Denver and Rio Grande	20
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	37
Distillers' Securities	22½
Erie	31¼
Erie, 1st pfd	48¾
Erie, 2nd pfd	38¼
General Electric	188
Great Northern, pfd	134
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	41
Illinois Central	126
Interborough-Met	17½
Interborough-Met., pfd	60¼
Inter-Harvester	110
Inter Marine, pfd	18
International Paper	12½
International Pump	19
Kansas City Southern	26½
Laclede Gas	102
Lehigh Valley	170
Louisville and Nashville	139½
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	157¾
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	20¾
Missouri Pacific	41½
National Biscuit	121
National Lead	55¾
Nat. Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	27½
New York Central	109¾
New York, Ont. and Western	31½
Norfolk and Western	112¾
North American	79½
Northern Pacific	120⅝
Pacific Mail	27
Pennsylvania	121¾
People's Gas	110¾
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	100¾
Pittsburg Coal	21⅜
Pressed Steel Car	34
Pullman Palace Car	161
Reading	167½
Republic Iron and Steel	25
Republic Iron and Steel, pfd	83
Rock Island Co	23
Rock Island Co., pfd	43
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	29½
Seaboard Air Line	18¾
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	44¾
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	46
Southern Pacific	106
Southern Railway	27⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	79⅝
Tennessee Copper	37¾
Texas and Pacific	22
Union Pacific	157⅞
Union Pacific, pfd	90¾
United States Realty	71
United States Rubber	66⅜
United States Steel	96⅝
United States Steel, pfd	129¼
Utah Copper	56¾
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	43
Wabash	4
Wabash, pfd	13
Western Maryland	45¾
Western Union	73½
Westinghouse Electric	77¾
Wheeling and Lake Erie	6¾

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, December 19.—Spot cotton, fair demand, steady. American middling fair, 7.67; good middling, 7.33; middling, 7.13; low middling, 6.95; good ordinary, 6.49; ordinary, 6.01. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,500 were for speculation and export and included 9,200 American. Receipts, 53,300 bales, all American. Futures opened firm and closed barely steady. December, 6.88; December and January, 6.85½; January and February, 6.83½; February and March, 6.83; March and April, 6.82; April and May, 6.81; May and June, 6.80; June and July, 6.78; July and August, 6.75½; August and September, 6.66; September and October, 6.48; October and November, 6.41.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, December 19.—Turpentine, easy; machine barrels, 42.

Rosin—Firm.

Savannah, December 19. — Turpentine, firm, at 39¼. Sales, 261; receipts, 822; shipments, 84; stock, 34,755.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 2,907; receipts, 4,973; shipments, 1,130; stocks, 155,934. Quote: A, B, 5.85@6.10; C, D, 5.90; E, 5.92½; F, 5.95; G, 6.00@6.15; H, 6.00@6.20; I, 6.10@6.25; K, 6.35@6.45; M, 7.00; N, 7.25; W G, 7.35; W W, 7.45.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 20, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 45 degrees; at 8 P. M., 44 degrees; maximum, 51 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees; mean, 47 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .03; rainfall for the month, to date, .05.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 2.6 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair Friday and Saturday.

Port Calendar—Dec. 20.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:06 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 53 min.

Tides.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	6:35	6:50	1:48	.....
Southport	4:12	4:27	10:43	10:47
Masonboro Inlet	3:42	3:58	10:14	10:18

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 19, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature. Highest today.	Temperature. Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	64	30	.0
Asheville	clear	34	28	.0
Atlanta	clear	44	32	.0
Augusta	clear	50	28	.0
Birmingham	clear	48	30	.0
Boston	clear	44	36	.98
Charleston	clear	54	44	.0
Charlotte	clear	44	34	.0
Chicago	cloudy	34	24	.0
Galveston	clear	62	48	.0
Jacksonville	clear	56	44	.0
Memphis	clear	52	30	.0
Mobile	clear	54	38	.7
Montgomery	clear	50	36	.8
New Orleans	clear	58	42	.7
New York	clear	48	46	.44
Oklahoma	clear	58	30	.0
Pittsburg	cloudy	30	30	.08
Raleigh	clear	46	40	.24
Savannah	clear	54	42	.04
Shreveport	clear	62	34	.0
St. Louis	clear	48	28	.0
Washington	clear	42	40	.80

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Mr. Untermyer drew the fact that comparatively little money exists for the vast superstructure of credit, which it supports.

"If you have the control of all that represents the assets in the banks of New York, you would have the control of money—of all that money," he suggested.

"No, you would not," answered Mr. Morgan.

"If a man controlled the credit of a country he would have control of all its affairs," said Mr. Untermyer.

"He might have that," retorted the financier, "but he would not have the money. If he had the credit and I had the money his customer would be badly off."

Mr. Morgan added that many men had great credit who had no money.

"Is that not because it is believed that they have money back of them?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No, sir. It is because people believe in the man. I have known a man to come into my office and I have given him a check for a million dollars when I knew he had not a cent in the world."

Mr. Morgan was led at some length into a statement of his views on combination and concentration of financial affairs. He reiterated that he was an advocate of combination and co-operation, although he did not object to competition.

"Without you have control," he said, "you cannot do anything."

"Is that the reason you want to control everything?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"I want to control nothing," retorted the financier.

"There is no way one man can get a monopoly of money?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No, sir. He cannot. He may have all the money in Christendom, but he cannot do it," replied Mr. Morgan.

"If you owned all the banks of New York, with all their resources, would not you come pretty near having a control of credit?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No, sir. Not at all."

"Suppose you owned all the banks and trust companies or controlled them, and somebody wanted to start up in the steel business against the United States Steel Corporation, and wanted a vast amount of capital and it was a good business, New York would be the natural market for money, would it not?"

"Yes."

"I want to know whether, if you controlled all those banks and a competitor came along, or a potential competitor, who wanted to compete, whether he would get the money from those banks you control?" Mr. Untermyer continued.

"Yes, he would," replied the financier.

"Some other man who might control might not take the view you have?" suggested the lawyer.

"He would not have the control," replied Mr. Morgan.

"That is your idea of it? Your idea is that when a man has got a vast power, such as you have—you admit you have, do you not?"

"I do not know it, sir."

"You admit you have, do you not?"

"I do not think I have," said Mr. Morgan.

"You do not feel it at all?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No, I do not feel it at all."

"Well, assuming that you had it, your idea is that when a man abuses it, he loses it?"

"Yes, and he never gets it back again, either."

"Have you any instance in your mind of any such man who has had any such power and control in order to experiment with it?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No, but I know from experience," said Mr. Morgan.

"Experience of your own?"

"No, I am talking about the experience of having things. What I mean to say is this: 'The question of control, in this country at least, is personal; that is, in money.'"

"Have you not seen many instances in the history of this country of financial men getting vast control and abusing it through a long period of years before they lost it?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"Not one particular line and nobody that has what you call a money trust or anything of that kind," said Mr. Morgan.

"You admit, do you not, that men may get control of railroads or business enterprises and monopolize them and so abuse their privilege?"

"Yes."

"And you say that so far as the control of the credit is concerned, they cannot do the same thing?"

"Or money, no, they cannot control it," said Mr. Morgan.

"Then the thing goes back to the question of the control of the banks and trust companies in New York?" said Mr. Untermyer.

"Do you think that a competitive condition in the banks and trust companies of New York is more or less preferable than a concentrated control over those banks?"

"I would rather have competition," said Mr. Morgan.

After ascertaining that a number of voting trusts in various railroad and industrial corporations were held by members of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company, Mr. Untermyer asked:

"Assuming you were the voting trustee for all of the great systems of railroad in the United States, it would concentrate control, in you, would it not?"

"It would be a concentration in my hands; but the board of directors are the ones and you do not put the same board in every company," said Mr. Morgan.

"Sometimes they come pretty near it," said Mr. Untermyer.

"No, sir, never," said Mr. Morgan.

"Take the banks of New York, do you realize that the identity of directors in the banks?"

"I do, but the number of directors is very small in proportion to them all."

"But, do you realize this vast and dangerous concentration through having these same directors in various institutions?"

"No, sir, I do not see any danger of it at all," replied the banker.

"Do you think that competitive institutions, that ought to be competitive, should have the same boards?"

"Certainly no."

"Do you think they ought to have a preponderating influence in each board?"

"I do not," said Mr. Morgan.

"Do you see nothing improper in having the same men looking into one another's business in competing institutions?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"They are not looking into each other's business," answered the witness.

"It is the duty of a director to know what is going on in his bank, is it not?"

"But a general director does not know.

He does not see the books," Mr. Morgan said.

Mr. Morgan insisted that without actual control of a directorate, interlocked directors had not actual power.

"You take three banks," he said. "Then take three men and put them in each of those banks. In one bank they are three out of 25; in another they are three out of 20; in another they are three out of 10, if you like."

"But suppose you have named all the other directors?" said Mr. Untermyer. "Suppose you have a voting trust and you have, under the power given by that voting trust, named the whole board, as has been done in these two cases of the Guaranty Trust and the Bankers Trust?"

"I am not talking about voting trusts now; I am passing now upon the question of directors, three directors who go into four or 10 banks. I say that these three directors—and I have been in a good many banks and a good many corporations—I defy any man to go in any one of those boards, even myself—I will say that for the sake of the argument, I do not believe I could carry any one question through any one board I was a director in against the views of the directors."

"Is that all you wanted to say?"

"On the contrary, I have a great quantity of cases where I could bring in proofs of it. There is no question of control unless you have got a majority of directors in all banks," said Mr. Morgan, with emphasis.

Early in his testimony Mr. Morgan was led by Mr. Untermyer into a discussion of the various banks in which members of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company, appears as directors.

"You do not watch the details as to the management of any of these banks, do you?" he asked.

"No."

"Who attends to the questions of management that come up with respect to these banks with which you are identified in your firm?"

"Any one of the firm who happens to know about that particular business."

"You are doing everything you can to protect the prosperity of these institutions in which the members of your firm are directors, are you not?"

"We do not bother ourselves much about that. They look after themselves."

"Why do members of your firm in some instances, two members of your firm, and in some instances, three members of your firm, go on the board?"

"Because we have a large interest to protect."

"In the protection of that large interest, do you not look after the banks at all?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"Not to any extent."

"It takes the time of your partners, does it not?"

"Yes. I have already remarked on that a great many times."

"But still they remain there, do they not?"

"They do."

"May I ask what they are there for, to protect your interests?"

"That is what they are there for."

The general subject of the power and privileges of voting trusts, holding the stock of corporations elicited a lengthy discussion in the course of which Mr. Untermyer got into the record statements regarding a series of voting trusts held by members of the firm of Morgan & Company for years.

"With respect to all these voting trusts, the voting trustees in all these cases have power, have they not and it is their duty to name the directors who shall conduct the company?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," answered Mr. Morgan.

"And those directors in turn name the officers?"

"Yes, sir."

"Can you name any instances in which the board of directors thus named in these various voting trusts has undergone any considerable change after the expiration of the voting trust from the way it was constituted under the voting trust, except that where deaths occur, the vacancies were filled?"

"I think very seldom," said the witness.

"You think they generally continue along the same boards?"

"Yes. They are generally pretty well satisfied with what they do."

"Who?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"The stockholders, sir."

The activities of J. P. Morgan & Company, as fiscal agents for railroads and other inter-State corporations, formed the basis for another lengthy phase of the examination.

Mr. Morgan placed in the record the agreements by which the firm handles the securities of the New York Central and the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroads. The general policy of private banks handling big issues of securities also was taken up.

"These issues of securities of inter-State railway companies are in vast sums, are they not, running into the hundreds of millions of dollars a year?" asked the questioner.

"Yes, sir," answered Mr. Morgan.

"Do you not think it would be entirely feasible that securities of such corporations should be openly marketed and should be sold by competition, just as securities of the United States government and State governments and city administrations and municipal bonds are sold?"

"I do not," said Mr. Morgan.

"There is another point about it," volunteered Mr. Morgan, "and that is this: You must remember that securities that are issued and sold do not always prove good. I do not say that that often happens, but it sometimes does."

"The banking house assumes no legal responsibility for the value of the bonds, does it?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"No sir, but it assumes something else that is still more important and that is the moral responsibility which has to be defended as long as you live."

"Will you name any instance of a railroad bond issue by your firm, that proved bad, where the property was reorganized and your company personally put up any money to make the bond good, that it did not get back?"

"I cannot recall any now, but there are cases of that kind."

Within an hour after the hearing adjourned the Morgan party, with its retinue of lawyers, was on a special train bound for New York.

HARVESTER TRUST HEARING.

Manufacturer Tells How Customers Were Lured Away From Him.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Testimony by one manufacturer of harvesting machinery that representatives of the International Harvester Company had sought to lure away his customers by false statements was given in the hearing here today in the government's suit to dissolve the International company. Copies of advertisements by companies that proclaimed themselves as "independent" were given in evidence by government counsel. The test that his customers had taken by misrepresentation was given by A. J. Glass, manager of the Adriance-Platt company, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Mr. Glass said that agents of the Harvester company had told his customers that the Adriance-Platt Company had been absorbed by the Harvester company and that they might as well order from headquarters.

"We waited until we were able to fasten responsibility for two such statements then we filed two suits for $10,000 each," said Mr. Glass. The Harvester company officials promptly came around and apologized and asked us to drop the suits. We agreed to do so if they would reimburse to us the expenses the suits had cost us up to that time. They did so and we dropped the suits."

Attorney Grosvenor for the government placed in evidence copies of advertisements of four firms asserting that they were "independent companies." The advertisements were inserted after the four companies had become a part of the Harvester company.

TO REMOVE TOMBS OFFICIALS.

Grand Jury Makes Recommendation After Probing Hyde Favoritism.

New York, Dec. 19.—The dismissal of William J. Wright, deputy commissioner of corrections, and the retirement of Warden Fallon, of the Tombs prison, are recommended in a presentment handed up by the grand jury this afternoon to Supreme Court Justice Goff.

The presentment follows an investigation of the Tombs administration, accused of having shown favoritism to Charles H. Hyde, the convicted ex-city chamberlain. The grand jury finds that the charges were sustained.

The investigation was ordered by Justice Goff primarily because of the alleged favoritism shown Hyde before and after his conviction on a bribery charge, but the grand jury also found that two other prisoners—Joseph C. Reichman, former president, and William J. Cummins, a former director of the Carnegie Trust Company— were assigned to the warden's quarters during their stay of several months in the prison prior to their trials in connection with the failure of the Carnegie Trust Company.

It was through his friendship for Hyde, the grand jury found, that Wright granted special favors to Hyde and the bankers.

FIREMEN ASK ARBITRATION.

Confine Demand for Two Stokers to 2,000 Locomotivess.

New York, Dec. 19.—President Carter, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, notified the railroad managers of the Eastern territory this afternoon that in preference to a strike vote he was willing to arbitrate under the Erdman act, the firemen's demands for increased pay and better working conditions. He submitted an amended proposition for consideration.

President Carter's amended proposition, submitted in response to the railroad managers' ultimatum of yesterday, provides for the employment of two firemen upon approximately 2,000 of the largest locomotives in the territory. This materially reduces the number of locomotives upon which two firemen are demanded.

In making this modification, President Carter said the employment of two firemen upon all large locomotives would greatly increase the efficiency of the locomotives, and that the increased earnings from any train thus operated would be more than sufficient to meet the increased expense.

The managers are expected to reply to the proposition at a joint conference tomorrow afternoon.

OUTLAW CHIEF KILLED.

Slain by Lieut. Johnson, Philippine Constabulary, in Combat.

Manila, Dec. 18.—The coreer of Arcania, a notorious outlaw chief in the Philippines, was brought to an end today, when he was killed in a personal encounter with Lieut. E. H. Johnson, of the Philippine constabulary. Two other outlaws belonging to the same band also were slain.

Arcania during his career is known to have murdered seven persons, including two Japanese traders, and he, with his followers, has carried out a number of raids.

The constabulary and the volunteers are now pursuing the rest of the band.

C. H. Fore & Co. are showing a great line of furs from $6.00 to $145.00 a set. (Advertisement.)

IF YOU HAVE MONEY TO INVEST

Write or call to see us. A part of the business of this bank is to direct the investment of money. We have some high-class County and School Bonds, yielding 5 per cent interest, payable semi-annually by coupons. These can be supplied without premium and we recommend them. : : : : : : : : : :

The Southern National Bank

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. D. MacMillan, Jr.—Notice.
Academy—Four Pickerts.
Tidewater Power Co.—For Xmas.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Stenographer.
Wanted—Baby Carriage.
For Hire—Automobile.
For Sale—Desirable Lots.
Thomas Grocery Co.—Today.
J. C. Vereen—To the Public.
Wanted—Second Hand Desk.
Palace Market—Don't Miss It.
Wanted—Carolina Insurance Co. Stock.
A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co.—Holly Ice Cream.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly Messenger Service calls will be made, or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams; bills rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union." But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

TODAY we have a lot of fine dressed and live turkeys; also several hundred chickens and fresh country eggs at wholesale and retail. Give us your orders early. 'Phone 294. Thomas Grocery Co., 525 N. Fourth street. de20-2t

DON'T MISS a great opportunity. Fresh Clover Bloom butter, one lb. prints, this week, only 35 cents. It's the very best to be found. Large supply of wild duck and turkeys on hand. All kinds of cakes. Palace Market, 'phone 72. de20-tf

WANTED—$500 to $1,000 worth of stock of the Carolina Insurance Company. Address, stating price, F. A. Lord, Agent. de20-1t*

FOR SALE—Two desirable lots at Lakeside Park, cheap to quick buyer. 'Phone 1224-J. de20-1t*

AUTOMOBILE FOR HIRE.—Call at Rainbow Cafe, Burgaw, N. C. Will take passengers to any part of surrounding country at reasonable rates. W. N. Rivenbark, Prop. de20-tf

TO THE PUBLIC—Through my friends, I wish to announce myself a candidate for councilman from the Fifth Ward. J. C. Vereen. de20-4t*

HOLLY ICE CREAM for Christmas, new and delicious. Sweet cream, 50c. quart; Jersey milk. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co., 20 N. Second street; 'phone 485. de20-1t*

WANTED—Reed baby carriage (not go-cart) in good condition. Must be cheap. Address "Push," care Star. de20-1t

LAYER RAISINS, 30c. lb.; large Florida oranges, 20c. doz.; $1.50 per hundred; Baldwin apples, 40c. peck; nuts, 15, 17 1-2 and 20c. lb. and all kinds of basket candies for Santa Claus. 'Phone 1838. L. T. New. de20-1t

SWEET POTATOES, all yams. Native pork, corned, 15c. lb.; country eggs, 30c. We have a fine supply of Spring chickens at low prices. 'Phone 1938. L. T. New. de20-1t

WANTED—First class stenographer, female. One familiar with billing, filing and general office work. Positon permanent, and splendid opportunity for an applicant who can furnish the proper references. Address "C-23," care Star. de20-6t

ANYONE wanting contractor for unloading coal, wood, sand, iron, cross ties; call at H. Smith, 422 Nutt street. de20-1t*

WANTED — Second hand combination desk and book case. Must be in good condition and cheap for cash. Address with particulars, "Combination," care Star. de20-1t*

30c. POUND for good table butter; 4-lb. bucket Cottolene, 55c.; granulated sugar, 5c.; 12-lb. T. W. flour, 40c. 'Phone L. T. New. de20-1t

JUST RECEIVED — New shipment of cowboy suits, Indian suits and rough riders. On display at J. H. Render & Company's. de20-1t

FOR SALE—Brand new cottage house, modern and up-to-date in every respect, located No. 706 Orange street. Will be finished and ready for occupancy about December 20th. J. Irving Bear, Real Estate, Insurance, 'Phone 443. de19-3t

FOR RENT—One 9-room house, all modern improvements, at 811 Dock street. Apply next door, or 218 Market street; 'phone 194. R. W. Hodges. de19-3t

ALL PORK country sausage. We have the very best variety in city. Everything good to eat. We are taking orders for Xmas turkeys, corned hams, etc. Place your orders to be sure. Palace Market, 'phone 72. de19-tf

HOUSEKEEPER wanted at Columbus Hotel, Whiteville, N. C., January 1st, 1913, or will lease to desirable party. Oscar High, Whiteville, N. C. de19,20,22,24-4t

PRINTER WANTED — One that can do first-class newspaper and job work. Apply quick, stating experience and wages expected. J. C. Hardy, Scotland Neck, N. C. de19-2t

WANTED AT ONCE—100 to 500 cords short leaf pine. Address Box 187, Wilmington, N. C. oc31-tf

WANTED—Locomotive engineer for logging woods. Experienced and strictly sober. Whiteville Lumber Co., Whiteville, N. C. de15-6t

YOU WANT the top market for your eggs, poultry, pork, beef or anything you have. Ship to R. B. Moore & Co., wholesale produce, commission merchants, 117 N. Water. oc27-tf

45TH SERIES B. & L. stock opens January 1st, 1913. Mechanics' Home Association, Walker Taylor, President; L. Stein, Vice-President; W. M. Cumming, Secretary and Treasurer. no30-out,su-tf

THE GILBERT HOUSE—Combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets, junction of all cars. Electric lights and hot water. Steam heat. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Transient, $1.25 to $1.50 per day. Rates to regular and table boarders. de8-1mo

OAK, PINE, ASH and blackjack, soft and chestnut coal; also lightwood and slabs sawed in foot lengths. Call 'phone 656 for prices. Quick service. Consumers' Wood & Coal Co. no28-tf

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars; cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Harriss' Typewriting and Advertising Co., 114 Princess street; 'phone 708. del-tu,su,th-tf

WANTED—Men and women for government positions, $90 month; rapid advancement; annual vacations, short hours, no layoffs. Common education sufficient. Over 13,000 appointments coming. Influence unnecessary. Send postal immediately for full list of positions open. Franklin Institute, Dept. 288-W, Rochester, N. Y. no15,17,22,24,29; de1,6,8,13,15,20,22 27 29; ja3 5-16t*

MORE WOOD—My slab wood is getting very short, now, but "Oh You" oak, ash and pine. Call the same old 'phone, 431, and we will get a wiggle on to deliver your wood. M. H. Croom, Southwest corner Water and Chestnut. de1-tf

FOR SALE at a bargain. Five-passenger E. M. F. 30 touring car, in good condition and fully equipped. Will sell or exchange for real estate. Address "Bargain," care Star. de5-tf

WILL PAY YOU to look over our line of watches, diamonds and jewelry of all kinds. You will save money by seeing Uncle Charles, at 16 South Front street. de18-tf

GUNS OF ALL MAKES — Remingtons, Ithacas, A. H. Fox, Parker, and L. C. Smith, at a bargain at Uncle Charles' Pawn Shop, 16 South Front street. Look for the yellow front. oc3-tf

FOR SALE — Everything good to eat. Quail, turkey, New River and Norfolk oysters, all styles; club sandwiches a specialty. We have the cleanest place in town. Come in. The Everglade. Tom and Frank Shepard. no24-tf

GOOD DINNER—Daily from 12 to 3, 35c.; get everything good to eat any time. Cooking and service unexcelled. Open from 6 A. M. to 12 P. M. Savage & Savage, 5 Princess street. de13-1mo

PHOTO. SHOP — Christmas portraits a specialty. Quality unexcelled. Prices $3.00 to $30.00 dozen. Prompt delivery. Front and Princess Streets; 'phone 804. Dushan & Hodges, Proprietors. no28-1mo

MECHANICS' HOME Association. New series B. & L. stock, January 1st, 1913. 108 Princess street. no30-out su-tf

PATRONIZE the Delicatessen. A full line of groceries, nuts, raisins, mince meat, plum pudding and everything good for your Christmas dinner. B. May, 130 Market street. 'Phone 1322. de18-6t

FOR SALE—At rare bargain for quick turn-over, E. M. F. Roadster, Model 1912. Going to be sold at once. Apply 114 Princess street, or 'phone 771. oc23-tf

WANTED TO BUY, in car lots, for cash, red cedar boards or squares. McEwen Lumber Company, Azalea, N. C. no22-1m*

FOR RENT—From October 1st, store and cart house, corner Seventh and Market streets. An old established stand. One of the best in city. Apply to Eduard Ahrens, care Ahrens Bros. se6-tf

ANY YOUNG LADY who wishes to take a business college course will find it to her interest to write at once to Littleton College, Littleton, N. C., for special Christmas offer. Every young woman who has satisfactorily completed this course at Littleton College now has a good position, and positions are guaranteed to all graduates of this department. de17-tf

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At the Close of Business November 26th, 1912.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	$4,326,202.83
U. S. Bonks (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	73,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	147,717.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,459,710.18
	$6,557,630.51

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	527,813.13
Circulation	550,000.00
Special Deposit, U. S. Bonds	100,000.00
Deposits	4,554,787.38
	$6,557,630.51

DEPOSITS:

November 26th, 1908	$2,971,810.82
November 26th, 1910	4,144,900.07
November 26th, 1912	4,554,787.38

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279 Boxes L. L. Raisins.
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97 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
29 Boxes Brazil Nuts.
72 Boxes Oranges.
67 Bbls Apples.
15 Bbls Stick Candy.
40 Pails Mixed Candy.
61 Pails Love Drops.
37 Pails C. C. Ices.
29 Pails Chocolate Drops.

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Holiday Goods

100 Barrels Apples.
100 Crates Oranges.
100 Sacks Cocoanuts.
300 Boxes Raisins.
75 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
1500 Pounds Brazil Nuts.
150 Boxes Stick Candy.
75 Boxes Mixed Candy.
50 Tubs Broken Mixed Candy.
25 Pails Crescent Creams.
25 Pails Creamed Peanut.
25 Pails Butter Kisses.
50 Pails Cocoa Ices.
50 10-pound tubs G. M. Butter.
100 20-pound Daisy Cheese.
50 20-pound Golden Rod Cheese.
100 Boxes Assorted Cakes.

All of which will be sold on a close margin and all orders filled promptly. : : : : : : : : :

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